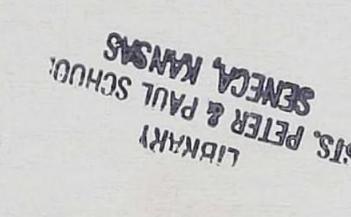


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This book not only shows the students at work, but is really the work of the students of Seneca Catholic High. Some sections were entirely planned and written by staff members. The faculty advisor wishes to congratulate those who have expended time and energy to make this yearbook what it is. She hopes the staff is an honest statement of fact in regard to actual work.

The entire faculty wish to take this opportunity to commend all pupils who have done excellent work during the past year as also those who have done their best even though they did not make high grades or otherwise distinguish themselves.

They extend best wishes for a happy and useful vacation to all students.



Mary help our valiant soldiers,
Guard them all on land and sea,
Keep them ever near to Jesus,
And Sweet Mother, close to Thee.

Mother help our wounded soldiers, Help those sailing o'er the main, Pray that all be won for Jesus, Born through grief to live again.

Mother help our noble Chaplains,
Guard them, keep them close to Thee.
Secure them light and strength supernal,
To quench Christ's thirst on Calvary.

Foreword

In sincere appreciation for the many sacrifices they are making so that we may enjoy a free America, we humbly dedicate this issue of the "Trojan" to our boys and girls in service.

We are deeply grateful to them for carrying on the fight until we are able and we ask God's blessing on their loyal service.

Administration

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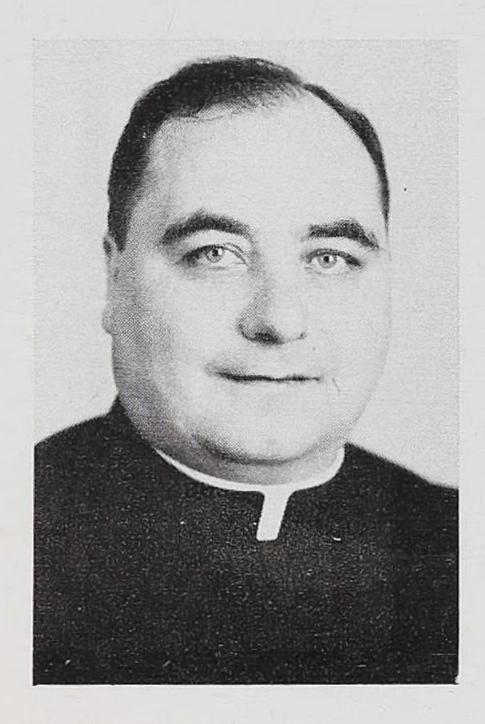
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The characteristic marks underlying all true progress are prayer, work and study. No great work is written, no wondrous discovery made, no barbarous land civilized without great labor, thought and hope. In the history of the early Benedictines in Nemaha county, we find these qualities already a part of the spirit implanted in Sts. Peter and Paul parish.

The march of science has brought new ease, new diversions that have changed the whole complexion of life. Pioneers of our parish who are still living have seen more temporal progress than have the people of any other age within the same space of time.

It takes us back to people whose deep faith made easy for them things which to us would seem heroic; to people who lived their lives and performed their duties fired by a profound zeal for God's honor and glory rather than by any ambition to perpetuate themselves to posterity. It takes us back to people who knew the land when it was hardly more then wilderness; to people who could tell thrilling tales of adventure, of stout-hearted missionaries who crossed the Nemaha to plant the Cross of Christ alongside the Indian's tepee.

Today in the twentieth century, America needs leaders, real men and women who are a light in the midst of darkness, who are trustworthy, pure and sober. Men and women of this type are needed in America's present crisis, needed on the home front as well as on the battle front.

Sts. Peter and Paul High School is doing its share by giving to America men and women who have been trained and developed according to that Benedictine spirit which has kept the lamp of faith and reason sheltered from the tempest of savage destruction.

We can see into the future, and behold greater American youth. There is at present an urgent need for another building and a larger faculty to keep pace with the increasing number of pupils. How all of this will be brought about remains to be seen. That it will come is certain.

The History of Sts. Peter and Paul School may be told in many different ways. But all point to the one word, "Progress," true progress, with its three great marks which are part of the spirit of a Benedictine prayer, work and study, "that in all things God may be glorified."

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Classes

JOHN ROEDER

This is the guy with all the answers. John is a very energetic kid and has a good word for all. He has no real nickname but is often referred to as "Johnnie." He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Roeder, and was born July 18, 1927.







CHARLES GRESS

Mrs. Frank Meyer.

THELMA MEYER

The girl in the back seat of

the last row is none other

than Thelma. She takes her

school work very seriously.

She is lots of fun and willing

to do anything for a friend.

She was born Jan. 16, 1928,

and is the daughter of Mr. and

Little, but mighty is "Chuck." He is quiet and reserved but takes deep interest in his work. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ollie Gress and was born January 27, 1928. Chuck is willing to share his good fortune with anyone.

MARGARET HAUG

The new addition to the senior

class this year was Margaret,

also called "Peggy." Though

she has been here for only a

short time, she has many

friends and everybody has a

good word to say for her. She

was active in sodality work,

the glee and pep clubs. Her

parents are Mr. and Mrs. Joe

MARY ANN BOEDING

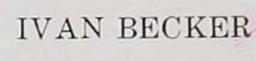
A friend and pal to all is Mary Ann, the daughter of Mrs. Anna Boeding. Mary Ann is a super girl in studies and also takes a deep interest in sports. She will go far in the world, because she is an optimist. She entered the world on July 9, 1928.



Paul was born April 4, 1928, and is the son of Mr. and Mrs. P. A. Wempe. He was active in football and basketball in '45. Paul is a good kid and is known by his wavy hair and his sleeping in class.







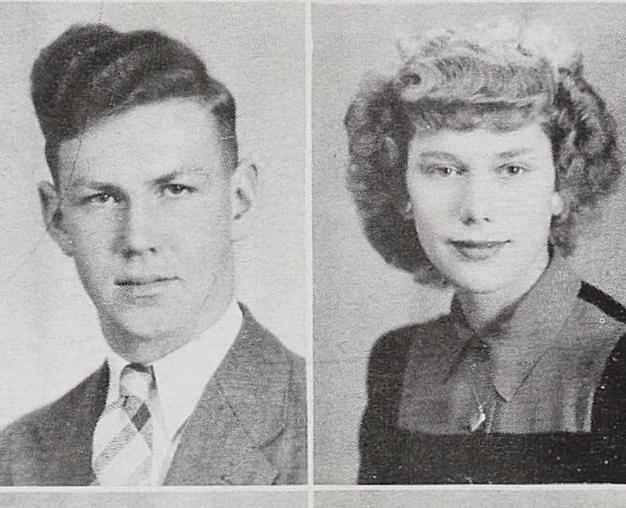
Haug.

The real "Jitterbug" of the senior class, Ivan is a guy with lots of energy who never thinks of skipping school. He entered this world on March 6, 1926, and is the son of Mrs. Leona Becker. Ivan, better known as Pat, took great interest in football this season.

GRACE BLOCK

We are presenting to you this year's prefect, known to all as "Chip." She takes an active interest in sports and sodality work. Chip has attended this school for eight years. She was born September 12, 1927, and is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Block.

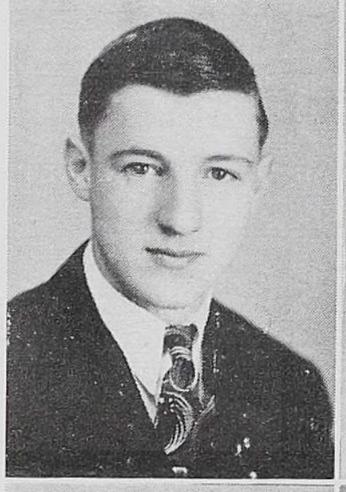




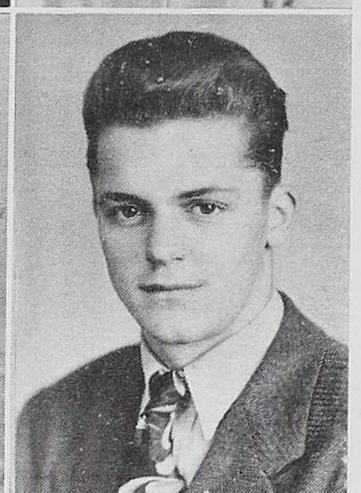


BERNARD MEYERS

"Bernie" started here in his sophomore year and is now the Cassanova of the senior class. Bernard has made many friends and went in strong for basketball and football. He is the son of Mrs. Viola Meyers.







KENNETH KOEHLER

clubs.

HELEN RONNEBAUM

A true blondie is Helen, an-

other daughter of Mr. and

Mrs. George Ronnebaum. Her

happy chuckle is likely to be

heard at any time. She is a

griet, pleasant and well-liked

kid. She was born December

14, 1926, and takes an active

interest in the glee and pep

This good-looking lad is the sen of Mr. and Mrs. Vollie Koehler and was born December 1, 1927. He acquired the nickname of "Reindeer" from his running speed during football gares. He is industrious and liked by all.

ALICE LACKEY

Alice is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Lackey, born August 28, 1927. She is a good student and always believes in having a good time. Alice takes her school work very seriously and will go far in the world.

DONALD ALTENHOFEN

Donald, better known as "Alkie," is one of our star basketeers on the first team. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. William Altenhofen and was born August 17, 1927. Donald is known for his unique attention during class.

ANNA MARIE STRATHMAN

Anna Marie has no real nickname, but is often referred to as "Annie." She has attended all four years of high school at Sts. Peter and Paul and has devoted much time to her studies. She is also active in the glee club. Her parents are Mr. and Mrs. John Strathman.









MARGUERITE USHER

Who's this? None other than Marguerite or "Marg." She is a girl who looks into the future and for that reason should never have many wornies. She entered this world on June 13, 1927, and her folks are Mr. and Mrs. Frank Usher. I arg is a friend and pal to all.

OMER GRESS

We're proud to present our president, "Omer," sometimes called "Breezy." Omer is an industrious lad and is noted for his snappy answers which may pop up at any minute. He has attended S.C.HS. for four years and is a real credit to his Alma Mater. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. George Gress.

LEONA HEIDEMAN

Though "Lee" has been with our class only one year, she has made many friends. She takes her studies seriously but allows time for recreation. "Lee" is known and loved by all. She was born Jan. 15, 1925, and is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Heideman.



JOSEPH KROGMAN

Our St. Bridget special and the wolf of the class has no special nickname but is known as just plain "Joe." He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Krogman Sr. and was born July 20, 1928. Joe was an active football player and treasurer of the class.

VICTOR KRAMER

A quiet, but well-liked kid is "Vic." He has attended 12 years at S.C.H.S. and was born July 19, 1928. His parents are Mr. and Mrs. Joe Kramer. Vic is distinguished for his girlish giggle.

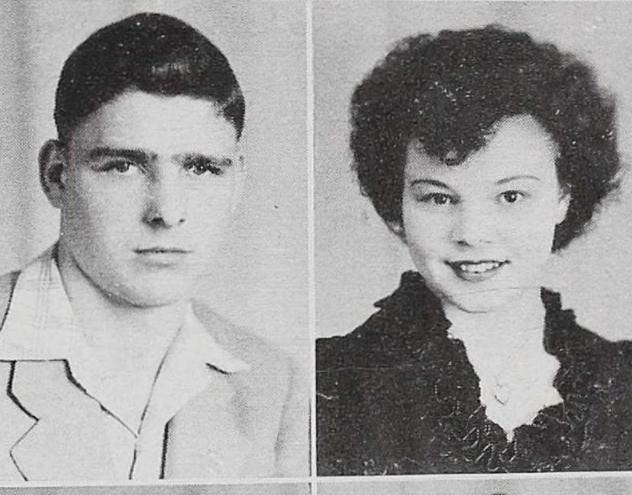


PATRICIA BENNETT

"Fatty" is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lester Bennett and was born Sept. 28, 1927. Patty always proves to be the life of the party because she always sees things in a funny way. She is a jovial kid and is liked by all.

MARK BOEDING

Mark is the son of Mr. and Mrs. August Boeding and was born January 27, 1928. He was Captain of the basketball team and rade 352 points for the Trojans this season. He has attended S.C.H.S. for four years.



GERALDINE ENNEKING

Here's the life of the class! Geraldine is known as Jerry to all classmates and is liked by all. She is noted for her giggle and her ability of getting around. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Enneking and was born September 4, 1927.

LEONA RONNEBAUM

"Lonie" is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Ronnebaum, born June 4, 1928. She is active in Sodality work, a member of the Pep and Glee clubs. Leona may be distinguished by her distinct sense of humor.



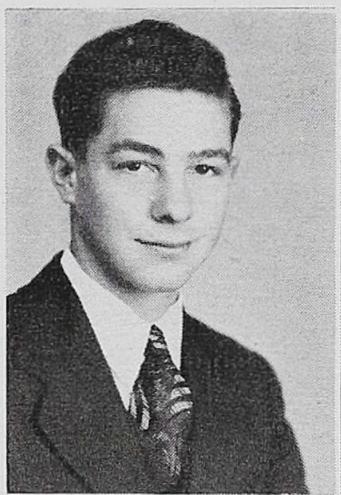


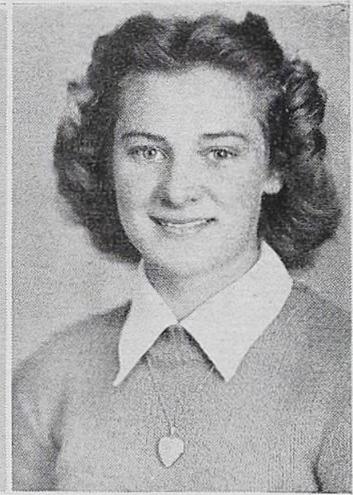
DONALD LUCKEROTH

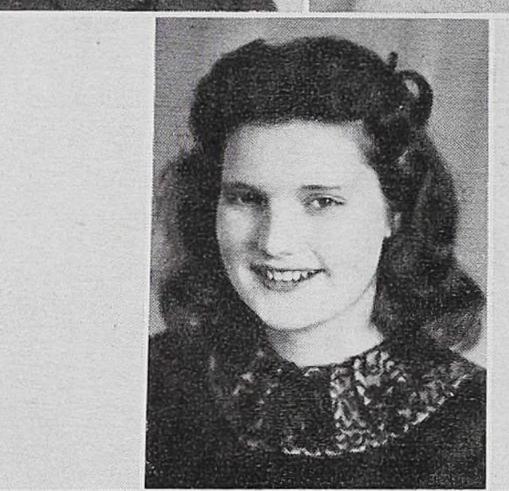
Believe it or not, Don, better known as "Ham," is the youngest of the class. He is the son of Dr. and Mrs. J. C. Luckeroth. Ham was a very important character on our football and basketball teams and is a friend to all who know him.

WILLIAM KOKENGE

Here he is folks! Elected "wit" of the class of '45, he is known to his schoolmates as "Cob." He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. William Kokenge Sr. Cob is the vice-president of the senior class and was also an active member of the football and basketball teams.







IVA MAE McQUAID

"Maisie" is the only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Mc-Quaid. She is a good solid little Irishman. She was president in the Junior year and cheerleader this year. Maisie was born March 2, 1927.

DOLORES LUEBBE

On January 12, 1928, little "Dee" came into the world. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Luebbe. Dee has talent for public speaking and has upheld our school in an Apologetic and Oratorical contest. She was also cheerleader for the past two years.

SENIOR OFFICERS

Class Officers

President—Omer Gress Vice-President—Wm. Kokenge Secretary—Thelma Meyer Treasurer—Joseph Krogman

Class Emblems

Flower—Red Rose Colors—Blue and Gold Motto—"Built for Character, not for Fame"

SENIOR LEADERS

Central Committee—Leona Ronnebaum, Grace Block, Delores Luebbe, Margaret Haug, Marguerite Usher.

Sodality—Grace Block (prefect), Margaret Haug, Leona Ronnebaum, Marguerite Usher.

Optimist Staff—Ivan Becker, Maryann Boeding, Delores Luebbe, Marguerite Usher, Leona Ronnebaum, Margaret Haug, Grace Block, Leona Heideman, Helen Ronnebaum, Geraldine Enneking.

Class History

FRESHMAN

We started out as a jolly bunch of thirty-two freshmen. At the second semester we welcomed Billy Kokenge with his ready wit. Our first grand experience was the initiation by the dignified seniors by whom we were branded. It was that year that the majority of the class attended their first Sodality Convention at Atchison. Oh, yes, we must not forget the spooky Hallowe'en party at which the freshmen and sophomores enjoyed themselves so much. Toward the end of the year we were sorry to lose Alvin Koelzer who moved to Kansas City.

SOPHOMORES

In our sophomore year we welcomed Alyce Lohman, Bernie Meyer and Joe Krogman, but we were sorry to lose Gerald Shaughnessy, Mildred Burdiek, Zita Phillips, Dorothy Ronnebaum, James Koehler and Gene Bennett. This year we welcomed a new principal, Sister Felicia, and a new coach and teacher, Rev. Maurus Kennedy, OSB. We shall not forget our wonderful Geometry class.

JUNIOR

We reached the third floor in school. Kenneth Stallbaumer and Thomas Wempe entered our class. We were sorry to lose Father Maurus as a coach but we welcomed Father Michael, whom we are very pleased to have. We put on two one-act plays, "Two Can Play," and "Station YYY." Later we had a radio play at hobby contest. And, oh the fun we had putting them on. But the main event of the year was the prom with the theme, "April Showers Bring May Flowers."

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We finally made the senior room, but were sorry to lose Kenneth Stallbaumer and Thomas Wempe. We were glad to welcome Margaret Haug and Leona Heideman into our class. Sister Hildalita was the new principal. We had to wait till we were seniors to win our first Optimist campaign. For this we got an afternoon of entertainment in the hall. Then at the Valentine party, we had Geraldine Enneking as Queen and James Koehler as King. But the big turnout was the senior class play, "The Mad March Heirs," which went over big with Sr. Hildalita coaching it. At present we are looking forward eagerly to sneak day and the Junior-Senior prom.

Class Will

We, the stately and learned Seniors of Seneca Catholic High, in the year 1945, do hereby make and publish this last will and testament in a solemn and serious manner, in which we legally dispose our highly treasured possessions thereunto revoking all former wills, bequests, devises of whatever natures by us already made.

To our beloved pastor, his assistants, and faculty, we bequeath the following for guiding us over the enduring and happy high school days.

To Father Basil, our athletic director, we give grateful thanks for his splendid advice, his sportsmanship, and his wonderful encouragement and timely advice.

To Father Michael, our coach, who led the Trojans to triumph as Champions in the County and District Tournaments, we cannot find words to express our gratefulness. Thanks a million, Father.

To Sister Hildalita, our principal, and other members of the faculty, we extend our best wishes and earnest thanks for their untiring patience in our behalf. We hold in confidence that they give to the next class the unique and timely advice they have given to us in the past.

To the Juniors, the Seniors, we leave our math teacher, Sister Bernita, and all the things they can find after the Freshmen get what they want. To the Freshmen, we leave all our pencils, erasers and empty ink bottles.

All of the following individuals wish to make these personal bequests: Pat Bennett wills her tall, slender figure to Roberta Leub and her witty remarks to whoever can keep them up and going. Paul Richard Wempe gives his job of driving the family car to Mark, and his wit to Joan Suenenberg. Dee Luebbe gives her ability to catch sailors to Vera Spielman, and her crew cut to Jane Kramer.

Pat Becker wills his snooker cue to Norbert Haverkamp, and his technique with women to Herb Nolte. Lee Heideman wills her love for night life to Wishy Engelken, and her ability in Speech to Elsie Kokenge. Charles Gress wills his Ag. office to Jim Koehler, and his love for Jane Kramer to Raymond Robke. Maisie McQuaid wills her love for Cob to some cornie Holton gal, and her girlish figure to Donald Burdick. Ham Luckeroth wills his '33 Dodge to his little brother, Slug, and his ability at Post Office to Darlene. Jerry Enneking wills her love for Goff to Velora McGreevy. Kenny Koehler wills his bus seat with Virginia Heiniger to Nub Gress. Peggy Haug wills her boy friend to Rose Cunningham, and her typing ability to Clarence Olberding. John Roeder leaves his habit of eating to Wilma, and his love for public school girls to Emmett Wichman.

Mark wills to Phyllis Fangman his big feet and his height to Effie Honeyman. Bernie Meyer leaves his boarders to Paul Dultmeier so that he may have more time at Baileyville. Anna Marie wills her ability in studies to Maurice Niehaus, and her glasses to Virginia Stuke. Wm. Kokenge leaves his letter writing ability to Jack Huerter and his time with Maisie to whomever wants it. Alice Lackey gives her diamond to Phyllis Fangman, and her love for Mark to whomever deserves it. Vic Kramer wills his bookkeeping book to the next class for copying purposes, and his speech ability to Darlene. Grace Block leaves her quiet ways to Jack Buser, and her ability to hold a man to Kitty Jean Strathman. Marguerite Usher leaves her flirty traits to Wilma Roeder, and her job at Harsh's to Dorothy Altenhofen.

Omer Gress wills his Bookkeeping book to Sr. Bernita. Thelma Meyer leaves her back seat in the last row to the next class. Donald Altenhofen leaves his tracks to Eaileyville to Clarence Olberding, and his job at the Red and White to Wishey Engelken. Mary Ann wills her many beams to Anita Altenhofen, and her studious ability to Kenny Skoch. Joe Krogman leaves his manner at the roadhouses to Merle, and his position on the football team to Norman Luckeroth. Leona Ronnebaum leaves her job at Rudy's to whoever can handle it. Helen Ronnebaum bequeaths her love of skipping school to Rose Marie Becker, and upswept hair to Theresa Cunningham.

In witness whereof, We, the Class of 1945, the testators, have to this our will, written on one sheet of parchment, set our hands and seal, this seventeenth day of May, Anno Domini, one thousand nine hundred and forty-five.

Class Prophecy

Dear Mary Ann:

St. Peter's Office May 20, 1955

While I'm here waiting for St. Peter to check over my record, I thought I'd send you a letter by the next rocket mail service they have here.

I didn't know it at the time of the crash that the other plane was piloted by you. My speedy little plane and I got the worst end of the deal, while your transport was not quite as badly damaged. Did you know that all of your passengers jumped safely except one? I met that passenger up here and was shocked to find Bernard Meyers, now a traveling salesman for Roeder and Boeding Dried Eggs and Milk Co., which has headquarters in Seneca. I learned from Bernie that Johnny and Mark have formed a partnership and have a large factory from which they ship their famous products all over the world. Both are married and living in a suburb of Seneca which was formerly known as St. Benedict.

Meeting two of my classmates so unexpectedly made me decide to look up the rest of them which is very easy for me to do up here. After I saw the big Roeder and Boeding factory I thought I'd better have a look at the new school we were planning back in the good old days, and to my surprise I found a Sts. Peter and Paul College. A second and bigger surprise was finding that Professor Victor Kramer, now of world-wide renown, was teacher of speech and dramatics at the College. His knowledge of world matters and his excellent method of delivery have made him a favorite speaker at all occasions.

Another proud addition to the city of Seneca is the local radio station "WHY." William "Cob" Kokenge is the top comedian at the station while his wife, the former Maisie McQuaid, also appears in a 15-minute serial entitled "Helpful Hints to Other Housewives." They live on the old Kokenge homestead which is now part of the most densely populated area of the city.

The Seneca Livestock Commission has also expanded and is now owned and operated by Paul Richard Wempe. As a hobby Paul raises registered Berkshire hogs.

Another classmate whom I saw in Seneca was Captain Kenny Koehler, who drops in to see his old home town on his cross country flights. Kenny is noted for his skill in handling large ships, and holds a record of making 25 trips without the slightest accident.

Finding on one else in Seneca, I started West for Baileyville where I found Donald Altenhofen working hard in his own grocery store. Donald decided that the Baileyville stores needed a little competition and soon after graduation did something about it.

A little farther out I found Alice settled on one of the St. Bridget hills with her husband and family. Alice had the twins dressed in sailor suits to remind her of former days. She was congratulating Joe Krogman who had just arrived with his bride, a charming and petite French girl whom he met in Paris. It may interest you to know that he met her while digging a foxhole in her back yard while on maneuvers in France.

Seeing no one else around close, I hurriedly glanced across the country to San Diego where I found Delores settled down in a cute little bungalow after completing a successful career as a Navy Nurse. Dee has been successful in more ways than one in the Navy.

Near Hollywood I caught a glimpse of three more of our classmates. Helen Ronnebaum, now a script girl for M.G.M., was attending the premier of Ivan Becker's new picture "The Lonesome Wolf," with the noted celebrity himself. He was accompanied by his sweetheart of former days, now his wife, Marguerite Usher. A talent scout had signed him to a contract which took effect immediately after he left the service.

Going south, I stopped at the Ringling Brothers circus in Florida. The first act featured Patty Bennett, who now floats through the air with the greatest of ease. Besides just floating, she also

does somersaults, backward flips and all. Following Patty's act, was the elephant act, and who should be leading the elephants but Chuck Gress. Chuck put them through their performances and after the show I learned that Chuck was head keeper and trainer of the elephants and in between this, he also takes care of the monkeys. In the audience enjoying the show was a Senator from Kansas on vacation in Florida—none other than Omer Gress. He is not exactly the dignified type, but he is well manered and jolly with a good understanding of his country. His wife, Elsie, was along and funnier than the show itself.

In Washington D. C. Donald Luckeroth is now the Postmaster General of the U. S. It did not take him long to work his way up considering the interest he took in his work while yet in school. His wife is a duplicate in size to him. Both are jolly with a keen sense of humor. They have a respected place in cafe society.

Journeying back down to Oklahoma City, I found Geraldine Enneking now married to the state wrestling champion. She became interested in the sport as a hobby and will defend her title of Women's Champion of the Middle West in a coming match to be held at St. Joe. Oh, yes, I must not forget that the referee is to be none other than Thelma Meyer, who is always called upon to referee championship bouts. She was a former title holder herself.

Going west again my attention is attracted by a large building in Denver which houses one of the largest contracting agencies in the world. Doing double duty as wife and secretary to the boss is the former Grace Block. Grace started out at the bottom it seems and before she could turn around she ended up in her present position.

Before the accident I had read where our former classmate, Anna Marie Strathman, is now a research scientist and has discovered a new drug which cures spring fever. It's just too bad she couldn't have discovered it a little sooner as I was always one of the first victims.

I believe I have mentioned all our classmates so—Oh, wait a minute, I think I see a cloud of dust racing across the U. S. that might be interesting. Why, it's a racing car and the driver looks familiar. It's Peggy Haug, who has become a daredevil driver, and is now trying to break her own record. Imagine her risking her life like that now and we all thought she was afraid to drive the family coupe when she was a senior!

Oh say, I'm still absent minded. I almost forgot to tell you Leona Ronnebaum is a doctor. I suppose you know more about that than I do as she is assigned to your case. I do know that you'll get expert care under her supervision.

Here's hoping the next ten years find us all as successful as these first ten years away from school have. I also hope that you have a speedy recovery, and that Bernard and I get through the pearly gates.

-Leona H.

Class Poem by Patricia Bennett

We were the freshmen of '41,
A class whose work was always done.
A bunch of freshies green as grass,
But come to society, they were never outclassed.

And now we're Sophomores of '42, The same old class with more to do. Father and his Geometry class— There were a few that even passed.

Then we were Juniors—advanced one more, And given a place on the old third floor. Then came the Prom in all its fury, While around and around those Juniors did hurry. At last we're the Seniors of '45,
Up and going and all alive.
Bookkeeping's where our dignity grows,
Ask Sister Bernita, she surely knows.
We think of the days gone by,
And wonder why they so quickly fly.
We'll continue on in all walks of life,
In suffering, sorrow, happiness and strife.
But you can be sure whatever we do,
We'll always be true to the gold and blue.

Class Colors--Blue and Gold

We the seniors of '45, have chosen the blue of truth for our foundation, the blue of the sky and the sea, and of all eternal things that are true and as high as the heavens, and as deep and as unresting as the ocean.

With this blue we blend the "gold." From the beginning of time, gold has stood for value and purity. "As pure as refined gold" has passed into a proverb in almost daily use. But gold in its native state is never pure. It must be tried by fire and purged of all dross and impurities before it attains to the perfections of its highest state of value. And the blue of truth and all the hardships which one has to undergo to stand for truth, help to purge the gold from its dross.

Thus with the blue denoting our loyalty to truth never lowered by soiling our honor and valor and the gold representing the perfection of our character in purity and value, we have the formation of our character, and with it the living out of our lives.

Class Motto

"BUILD FOR CHARACTER, NOT FOR FAME." "Nothing matters but character," said a great writer. Another said: "When you travel you are a ticket, in a hotel you are a number, on a ship, you are a passport—but before God, you are a character." Yes, truly, with men too, it is not so much what you can do that matters, but what you are. Besides, if you are what you should be, you usually will be able to do many things wisely and well. On the other hand take an extreme example of the opposite: of what good to anyone is a highly proficient gangster—criminal?

As to fame, it is like a passing wind, short-lived and vain. Then, too, it is elusive. If one seeks it primarily, he hardly ever finds it. But the man of character, who works for the love of God and man, need not seek it. It searches him out and takes up its abode with him.

If then, character is so important—what is it and how is it preserved or acquired? Character is defined as an aggregate of distinctive mental and moral qualities belonging to an individual impressed by nature, education, or habit. A man of character does not do what he feels like doing, but acts according to principle rather than feeling or emotion. Character gives one the courage to say "no" when asked to do what is wrong.

Character is the result of habit. As the poet says:

Sow a thought, reap an action; Sow an action, reap a habit; Sow a habit, reap a character; Sow a character, reap a destiny.

Class Flower

The rose is chosen by so many classes as their flower because of its beauty and its symbolism. Of its beauty nothing need be said—everyone has himself seen and enjoyed its beauty. But its symbolism is only too often overlooked or forgotten. It stands for love and kindness. Let us hope that having taken the rose as our chosen flower, we shall always try to practice that for which it stands—love and kindness.

Class Jingle . . .

Alice, Pat, Maisie

Come with us while we review
And bring those classmates back anew,
Bring back the thought of olden times,
When all us seniors were in our prime
And now we'll see what lies ahead
Before it goes to our classmates head.

First on the list as you might know
Is our dear old classmate Joe,
We find him tramping up those hills
With a bottle in his pocket full of pills,
Taking them to his stricken wife, Jerry,
Whom we all remember, bright as a fairy.

As we were coming through Baileyville We see Alkie, owner of the saw mill; He has now settled down in a one-horse town

And he and Dorothy go round and round, As on we go a-down the road We see Bernie, the farmer, killing a toad.

Now we see that kid on the job,
That faithful one we know as Cob,
We find him almost going crazy
Thinking of his little wife, Maisie.
Here's their friend Monk,
Digging a skunk from under a stump.

As we go gaily on our spree
Ring and Dee are there to see,
Then there's Ham in all his glory
Purring around in his upper story,
Next comes Mary, our dear old gal,
The one who is everybody's pal.

Here comes Becker in uniform fine,
Watching the cuties go down the line.
Now Peggy strolls in bright revision
Trying to make her final decision.
Mugs, the gal who lives across from
Church,

Would never leave us in the lurch.

Now we see Thelma, in all her piety,
A great gal in all society,
Next we see Chip in Denver, on a bender
And Anna Marie, our noble defender.
As we go along, we see Walt and Alice,
Living in a big fine palace.

There we see Pat, grown fat
Sitting on the lap of a yap, the sap.
A-las, there's Breezy and his Kokenge lass,
Society says they are first class.
And here comes Paul, the best of all;
He's the one that makes them fall.

Now we hail Vic, our class slick chick,
And then Helen, our night club singer
And boy, oh boy, is she a hum-dinger,
Leona's there too, a-cookin' the stew,
Then there's Chuck in his farming regale,
With his cows, and chickens, and old milk
pail.

Hail to Kenny, our city Doc,
He's the guy that cures the poc,
Behold there's John, and his devoted wife
Pam,
Cooking and boiling, and stewing Ham.

Cooking and boiling, and stewing Ham, And last, but not least, we come to Lee, Whooping it up on the lone prairie.

Our Last Goodbye

(Tune: Missouri Waltz)

Here we are together as the class of '45 But as we stop to realize it Teardrops fill our eyes; Our schooldays are over, And life won't be clover, When we say goodbye To our dear Catholic Hi! The time is drawing very near When we must all depart, We hope you'll keep us in your minds And also in your hearts. And now to our classmates And teachers so dear,

We say-goodbye.

We think about our high school Where we spent so many years Dreaming of our graduation And our future fears. Those memories will linger And bring happiness, When we're out in the world Feeling sad and depressed! We don't realize it now But our best days are past. Seems to us they all flew by, A little bit too fast. But we have to leave you And bid you adieu.

So now-goodbye.

The Last Four Years

by Chip and Dee (Tune of RUM AND COCA COLA)

We started out four years ago Plenty green I guess, you know We got by fine, but that was luck It's mighty queer, we didn't get stuck.

The second year we all were sophs; Most of us thought we were really tops; We liked Geometry best of all, Even if a few didn't pass at all.

At last we got to the junior year, We made others happy by spreading cheer; The senior prom was the big event And that's where most of our money was spent.

We had our studies, we had our play, We followed the rules day by day, We had lots of fun and we're willing to bet That '45 is the best class yet.

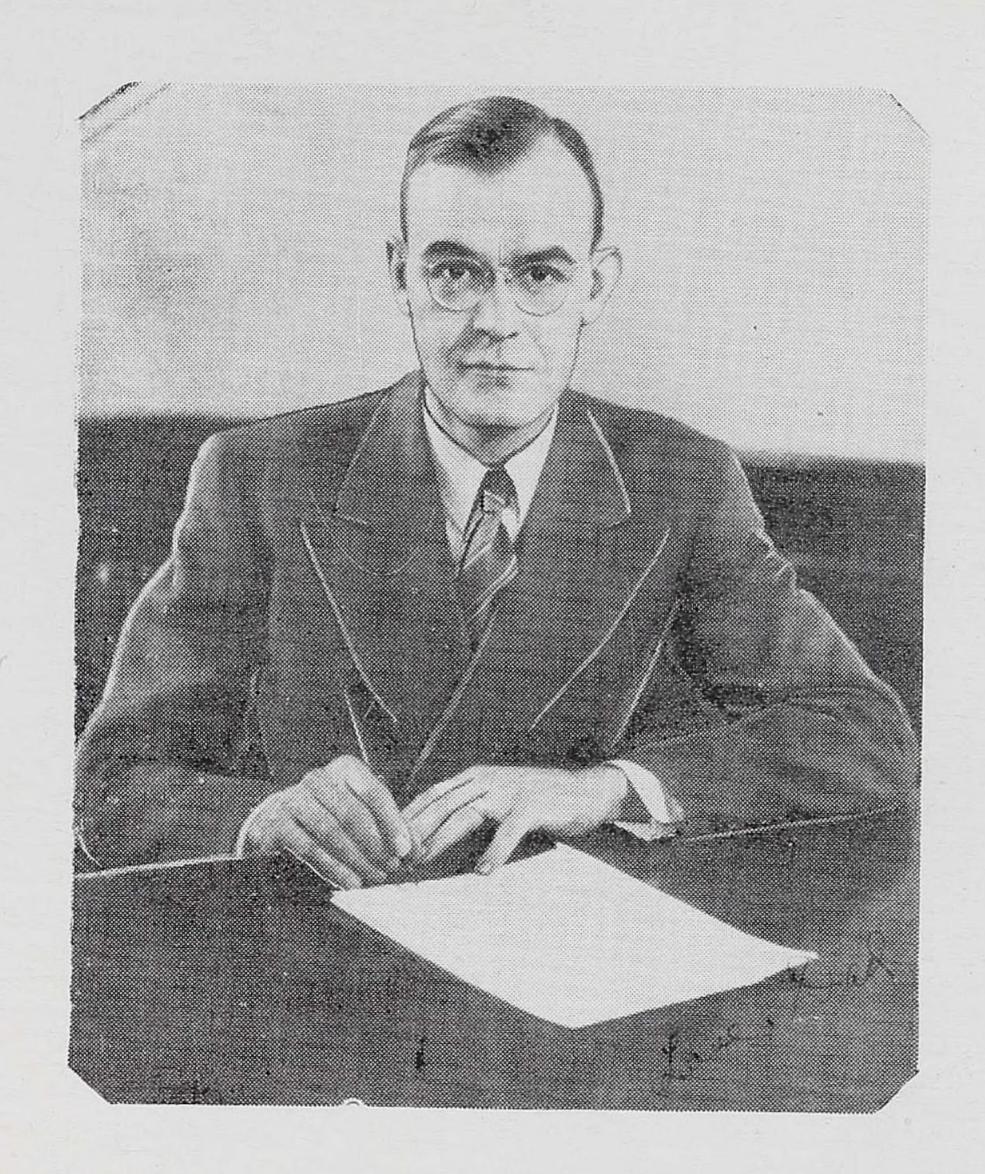
(Chorus)

Working math and good old shorthand, Takin' our books home We often got tired Workin' for that old diploma. . . .

Commencement Speaker

The graduates of this year had the honor of having for their Commencement speaker, Doctor Arthur M. Murphy, President of Saint Mary College, Leavenworth, Kansas.

Dr. Murphy is a national figure in the field of Catholic education and has recently received from the Pope the highest title awarded to laymen, Knight of the Holy Sepulchre.



Commencement Program

Grade School Auditorium May 17, 1945

Processional Seneca Band
Salutatory Mary Ann Boeding
Good-bye, Old High Class of '45
Valedictory Leona Ronnebaum
Address to Graduates Dector Arthur M. Murphy
Presentation of Class Rev. Basil Finken, OSB
Conferring of Diplomas Rev. Matthew Hall, OSB
Perfect Day Class of '45
Recessional Seneca Band

Junior Girls

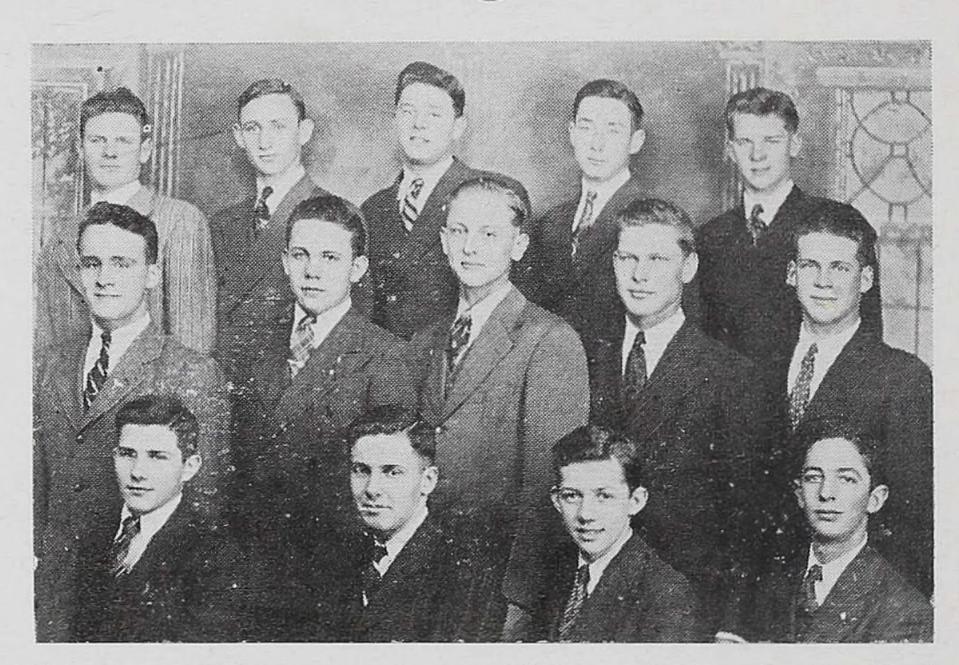


Top row, left to right: Margaret Krogman, Kitty Jean Strathman, Wilma Roeder, Dorothy Wempe, Velora McGreevy, Darlene Schmucker,

Center row: Felicia Becker, Phyllis Fangman, Mary Heideman, Jane Ann Kramer, Mildred Heiman and Vera Spielman.

Bottom row: Delores Henry, Alice Sack, Geraldine Koelzer, Elsie Kokenge, Alvina Liening and Rose Marie Becker.

Junior Boys



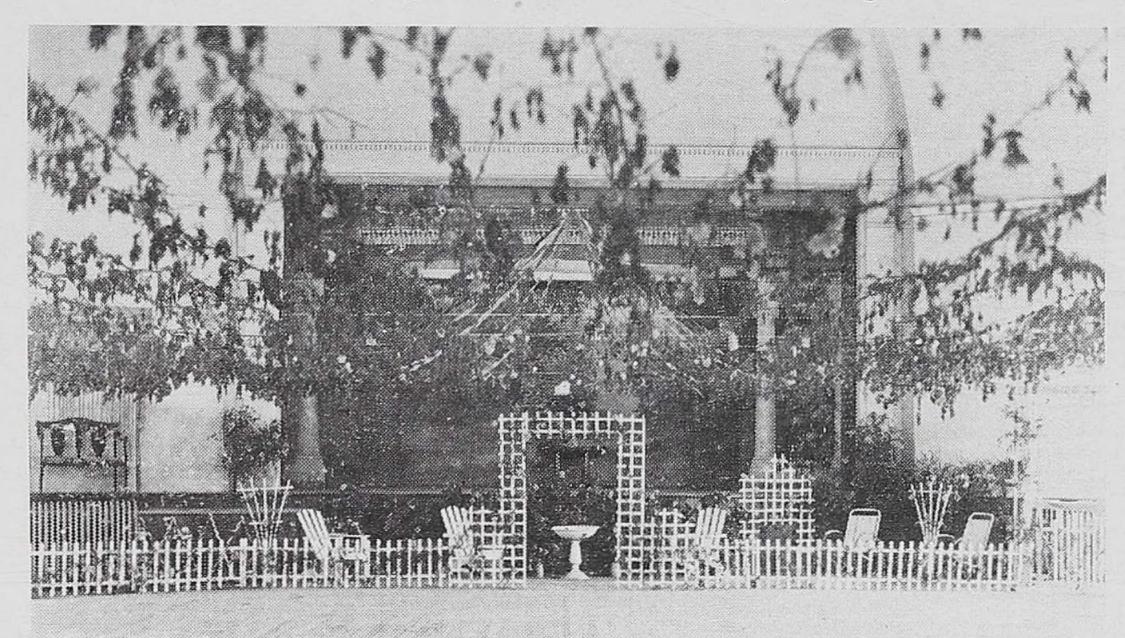
Top row: Robert Holthaus, Emmett Wichman, Wilfred Koehler, Paul Dultmeier and Merle McQuaid.

Center row: James Koehler, Clarence Olberding, Raymond Robke, Daniel Becker and Maurice Neihaus.

Bottom row: Jack Koelzer, Jack Huerter, Aloysius Engelken and Victor Tangeman..

Moonlight and Roses Theme For Junior-Senior Prom

Marguerite Usher, Queen; Kenneth Koehler, King



For weeks and weeks the Juniors had thought and planned and dreamed of "moonlight and roses," and then at last a morning came when they were forced to realize that "all good things come to an end," and that only "memories" remain.

It had been a gala affair—that Junior-Senior Banquet and Prom: the banquet hall with its dainty furnishings of blue and gold, the sumptuous meal, the fine speeches of student-council members, the clever jokes and splendid advice of the Fathers, and the hearty words of encouragement of the principal.

The ball room with its trellised garden, shaded floor, rose-bedecked drop ceiling; the strains of Marty's Orchestra; the Grand March; the crowning of the king and queen; the moon beaming through the branches—all are memories—"moonlight and roses bring memories . . ."

Most Popular Pair For Valentine's Day

Miss Jerry Enneking, a distinguished senior, and Mr. Jim Koehler, a well-known junior, were honored on Valentine Day by being chosen queen and knave of hearts by the members of the high school.

A party was held February 12, and offered the following entertainment: bunco, dancing and refreshments. The affair added \$45 to the junior class treasury.

Class Officers

President: Jerrie Koelzer

Vice-President: Wilfred Koehler

Secretary: Mary Heideman Treasurer: Jack Huerter

Sodality Central Committee

Dorothy Wempe, Darlene Schmucker, Jack Huerter, Wilfred Koehler and Phyllis Fangman

Class Emblems

Class Colors: Red and White

Flower: Red Rose

Patron: St. Bernadette

Sophomore Girls



Top Row, Left to Right: Rita Widman, Vivian Koelzer, Margaret Sack, Marie Ronnebaum, Roberta Lueb, Rose Cunningham, Anna Mae Quinlan.

Second Row: Geraldine Huerter, Vivian Lueb, Agatha Haefele, Delores Lehmkuhl, Teresa Cunningham, Jane Koelzer, Elda Rose Wilhelm, Mary Margaret Springer.

Third Row: Alice Ronnebaum, Anita Altenhofen, Edna Hammes, Mildred Sack, Betty Kramer, Lucille Kramer, Jacquelyn Shafer.

Sophomore Boys



First Row, Left to Right: Melvin Gress, Donald Buser, Robert Enneking, Robert Boeding, Harry Huerter, Leander Engelken.

Second Row: Donald Burdick, Norbert Gress, Herbert Nolte, Robert Fangman, Mary Wempe, Jack Buser.

Third Row: Leonard McGinty, William Holthaus, Leo Huber, Robert Bennett, Gerald Woltkamp, James O'Toole, Galen Dultmeier.

THE HOME EC. GIRLS OF SENECA CATHOLIC HIGH—They stand for service and efficiency. This year they have prepared and served banquets for: the Juniors-Seniors; the Knights of Columbus; the Athletic Association.

Delores Lehmkuhl, Anita Altenhofen, Edna Hammes, Beth Kramer, Rose Cunningham, Elda Rose Wilhelm, Lucille Becker, Vivian Lueb, Teresa Cunningham

Class Officers

• The sophomores gave a social

for the parish on Ascension

Thursday, May 10. A large crowd

spent a very enjoyable evening

playing games, eating and danc-

ing. Mildred Sack was general

the various concessions were:

Norbert Gress, Galen Dultmeier,

Vivian Lueb, Jacquelyn Schafer,

Jane Koelzer, Dolores Lehmkuhl,

Roberta Lueb, Herbert Nolte,

Robert Fangman, Bill Holthaus,

Gerald Woltkamp and James

chairman.

O'Toole.

The chairmen for

President: William Holthaus Vice-President: Geraldine Huerter

Secretary: Jane Koelzer Treasurer: Leander Engelken

Sodality Central Committee

Mildred Sack, Robert Boeding, Vivian Lueb

Class Emblems

Colors: Red and white

Flower: Rose

Patron: St. Theresa, the Little Flower

Motto: Today We Follow; Tomorrow We Lead

(Clement Gudenkauf, a member of the sophomore class, was absent the day the class pictures were taken.)
(Correction: In the girls' class picture on the opposite page in the third row, the name is Lucille Becker, not Lucille Kramer.)

Freshman Girls



First Row, Left to Right: Virginia Stuke, Alice Mae Mueting, Rosella Suther, Anna Marie Tangeman, Evelyn Feldkamp, Anna Mae Kramer and Joan Suenenberg.

Second Row: Ruth Ann Nichols, Dorothy Mae Gudenkauf, Dorothy Heideman, Rosemary Gress, Eileen Olberding, Barbara Mae Haug, Barbara Lorson and Jeanann Lauer.

Third Row: Patricia Shaughnessy, Marjorie Heideman, Maurine Conley, Jean Marie Dultmeier, Dorothy Altenhofen, Elaine Kongs, Irene Meyer and Donna Otting.

Freshman Boys



First row, Left to Right: James Kramer, Arthur Schmucker, Francis Wichman, Arthur Strathman, Norman Luckeroth, Elwin Becker, Charles Sack and Gerald Winterscheidt.

Second Row: Robert Winkler, Herbert Huerter, Eugene Burdick, Robert Harpenau, Carrol Usher, Hubert Mueting, Richard Huerter and Larry Riley.

Third Row: Kenneth Skoch, Emmett Honeyman, Gerald Lackey, Norbert Haverkamp, Wilfred Broxterman, Leonard Haefele, Sammy Armstrong and Leonard Henry.

Class Officers

Class Emblems

President: Dorothy Heideman Vice-President: Larry Riley Secretary: Jean Ann Lauer Treasurer: Norman Luckeroth Librarian: Barbara Lorson

Patron: St. Patrick Colors: Green and White Flower: Three-leaf Clover Song: Smilin' Through

Motto: Semper Fidelis

Class Poem

The freshman class you now shall see We're twenty-two girls and boys twenty-three.

Dorothys three, and two girls "Bobby," With Jeanann Lauer make talk their hobby.

Alice, Elaine, and Anna, they say
Are all known by the sweet name Mae.
Marjorie, Donna, and also Eileen
Are never heard, and seldom seen.
Our Anna Marie and Irene Meyer
Are always working for something higher.
Jean Marie takes teasing amiss.
Rosella is sometimes known as "Sis."
Rosemary is our girl with glasses
With Ruth Ann and Joan she works at her classes.

Maurine, Virginia, and red-headed Pat Are mighty fine girls, we're sure of that. Emmett and Kenny, Larry and Brock "Birds of a feather" from the freshman flock.

Norbert and Francis are farmers in making,

Agriculture this year they're taking.
Then there's Art Schmucker and Becker,
too

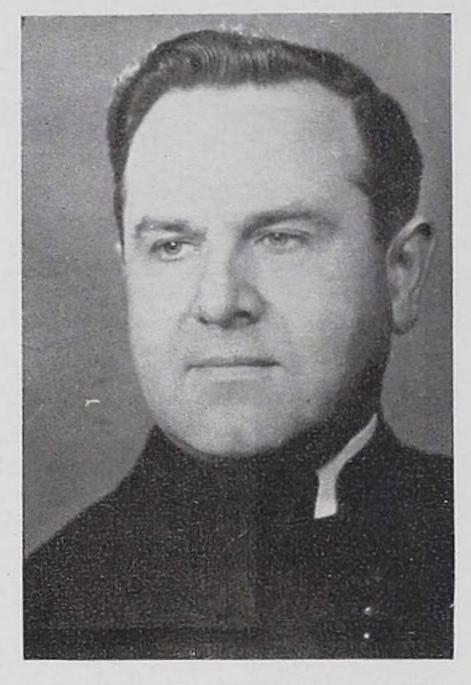
Who never know what papers are due. Our Leonards two, are studious lads; Carroll and Jim fellow all the fads. Gerald and Art, with Norman, their chum Stick together just like gum. At Latin class Charles shines bright. Winkler works with all his might. Sammy and Richard are working for A's. Eugene and Herbie seem in a daze. Harpenau is fond of reading The same is true of Hubert Mueting. Three of our group have left us since fall Lois and Evelyn, you're missed by us all. In study, Gerald Lackey found no charm It suited him better to work on the farm. In this little poem, we all share the same; If there's anything wrong, we're all to blame.

-Allofus.



GRACE BLOCK, prefect of the Sodality

Sodality



REV. E. J. WEISENBERG, S. J., state adviser of KSSU. He conducted retreat for SCH students.



Members of the Central Committee enjoy the latest issue of the KSSU BULLETIN

SODALITY OFFICERS

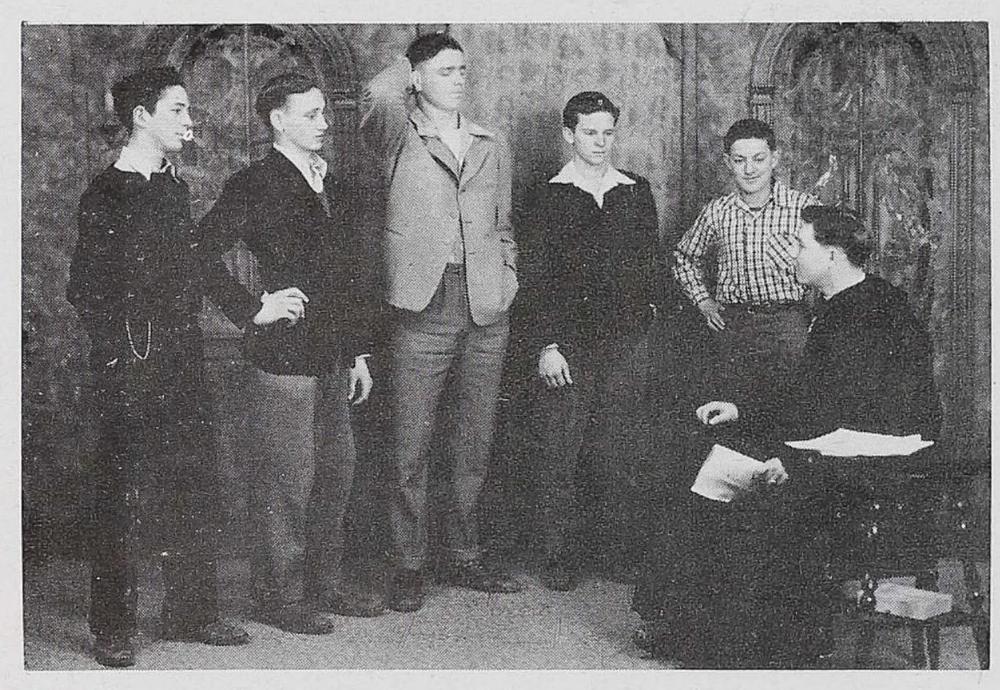
left to right—

Leona Ronnebaum
Jack Huerter
Marguerite Usher
Wilfred Koehler
Grace Block
Father Matthew
Margaret Haug





Cast of ST. TERESA NEVER FAILS: Left to right: Darlene Schmucker, Leona Heideman, Omer Gress, Marguerite Usher, Delores Luebbe, Grace Block, Jerry Enneking, Margaret Haug; sitting: Elsie Kokenge.



Clean Speech Committee present skit entitled PEANUT, THE BIG LITTLE MAN. They are left to right: Victor Tangeman, Emmett Wichman, Mark Boeding, Merle McQuaid, Billy Holthaus, Wilfred Koehler. This skit was written by Jack Huerter.



PHYLLIS FANGMAN took part in the NCCW Contest, May 20:



INTERESTED SODAL-ISTS pack clothes for war refugees. Left to right: Darlene Schmucker, Mildred Sack, Mary Ann Boeding, Marguerite Usher, Dorothy Wempe.



DELORES LUEBBE represented SCHS in the Apologetic Essay Contest held at Paola, March 23.



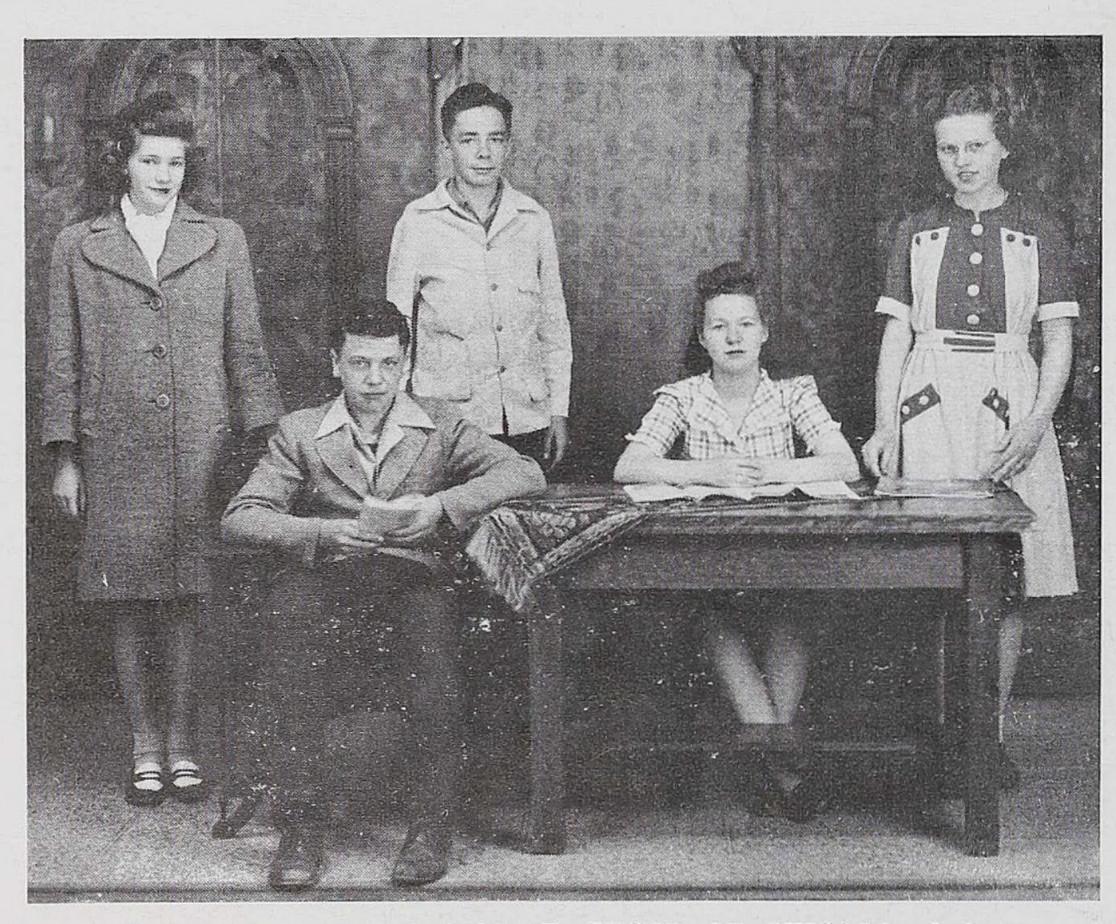
LITTLE WAYS

Sophomore Mission Play

Left to right, back row: William Holthaus, Elda Rose Wilhelm, Rose Cunningham, Alice Ronnebaum, Herbert Nolte, Robert Fangman, Melvin Gress. Front row: Jane Koelzer, Jacquelyn Shafer, Leonard McGinty, Margaret Sack, Clement Gudenkauf, Anna Marie Quinlan, Mary Margaret Springer, Delores Lehmkuhl, Mildred Sack.



Members of the Speech Class present "A GUEST AT THE INN." Those taking part were, left to right: Leona Heideman, Elsie Kokenge, Phyllis Fangman, Grace Block, Darlene Schmucker, Dee Luebbe.



Sophomores enact original skit ST. PEGGY OF CHICAGO. Left to right: Betty Kramer, Donald Buser, Harry Huerter, Lucille Becker, Mildred Sack (author of the skit).

HIGHLIGHTS of Sodality for the Year

OUR LADY'S COMMITTEE

Renewed the saying of the little office.

Promoted the devotion of the Five Saturdays and the family rosary.

Staged Living Rosary December 8 at close of Retreat.

EUCHARISTIC COMMITTEE

Devised the project of spiritual merit cards.

Promoted perpetual communion and consecration to the Sacred Heart.

PUBLICITY COMMITTEE

Solicited a special bulletin board for sodality posters.

Published a sodality bulletin.

Started a special column in school paper.

MISSION COMMITTEE

Sponsored co-missionary apostclate. As a consequence about 100 students adopted missionaries.

Collected \$14 for ransoming pagan babies and for donations to mission houses.

Staged two mission plays.

CONTESTS

Apologetic—Delores Luebbe won first place; Mary Margaret Springer, second; Phyllis Fangman, third.

Skit—Jack Huerter won first; Mildred Sack, second; Betty Kramer, Geraldine Huerter tied for third. The first two were put on at meetings.

Essay-Jack Huerter won with an open letter to Mary.

Mental Prayer-Mary Ann Boeding.

CLEAN SPEECH COMMITTEE

Sponsored talks, skits and posters on clean speech.

Proposed pledge which was approved by sodalists: I promise never to use the name of God in vain, never to tell filthy stories or to laugh at indecent remarks or jokes told by others.

MISCELLANEOUS

Retreat—the big thrill of the year. Father Weisenberg was a wonderful retreat master.

Relief Work—During the month of September, the sodalists packed two tons of clothing for the war stricken people of Europe.

Chaplain's Aid—\$34 raised by Socality Dance.

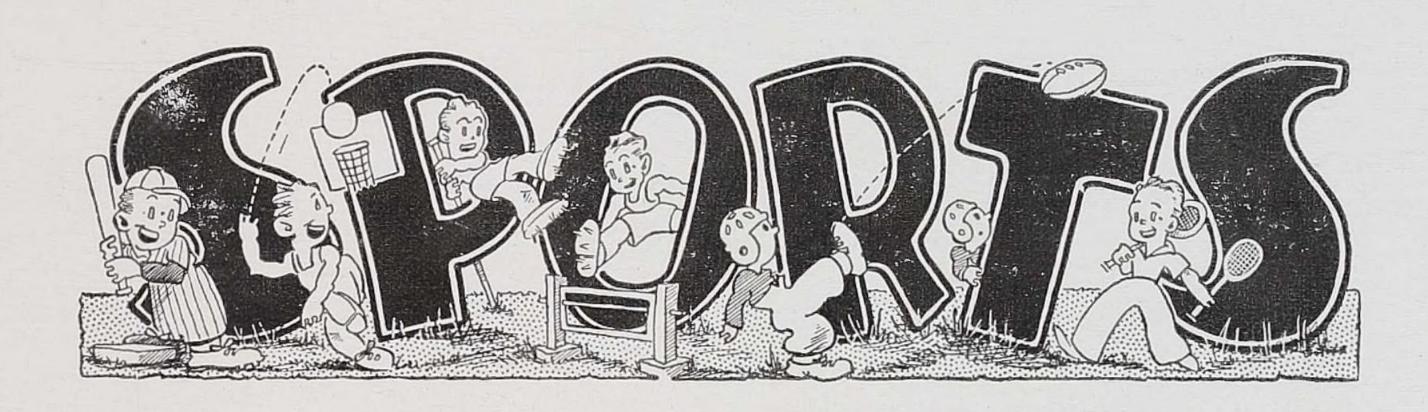
Ccurtesy Week-Special talk by Father Richard.

Purchases—150 office manuals, 50 sodality rules, 130 pamphlets, 35 year subscriptions to Queen's Work.

Trips—Eleven attended convention Oct. 14 at Xavier, Kansas. Grace Block, prefect, and Darlene Schmucker attended the annual business meeting, Feb. 17, at Topeka.

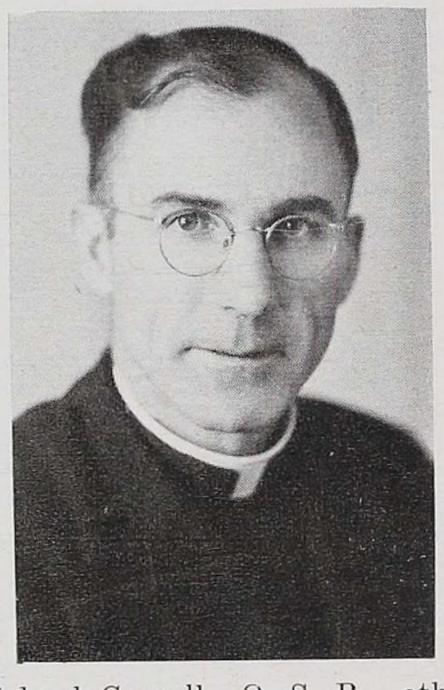
New Members—Fifty-one were received December 8 by Rev. E. J. Weisenberg, state advisor, who was at the time giving a retreat at Seneca.

Alumni—Suggestions for one joint meeting of sodalists not in school each year and those in school.



Coach







Rev. Michael Carroll, O. S. B., athletic coach at C. H. S., has successfully led the Trojans through another year of athletics and physical training.

"Father Mike," as he is known to his players, came to Seneca after spending many years as athletic director and one year as head football mentor at St. Benedict's College, Atchison, Kansas.

Starting with only five experienced players, Father Mike has brought the teams to a fair degree of excellence in his past two years of coaching at Seneca.

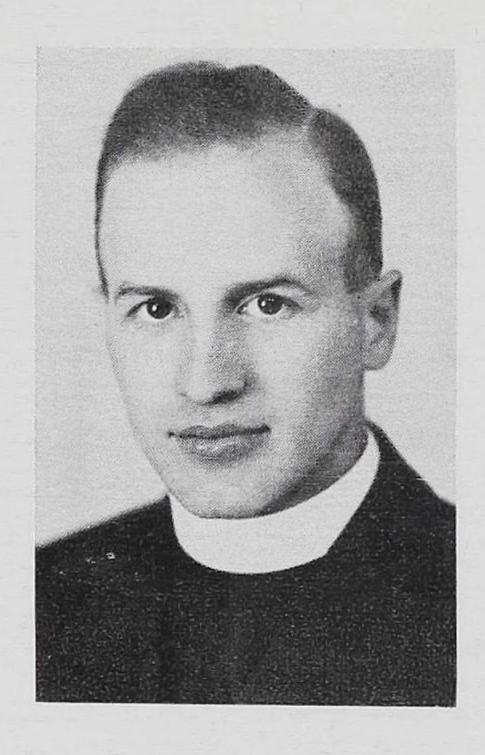
Father has the earnest support of all the boys. It is their sincere hope that he will continue to hold the coaching reins at S. C. H. for some time to come.



He plays a harder game than anyone on the team



Our Unsung Heroes



ATHLETIC DIRECTOR

A jolly fellow who always has the interests of the school at heart, especially in the field of athletics, is our capable athletic director, Reverend Basil Finken, O. S. B. Father Basil makes all arrangements for games and transportation.

A few years ago, athletics were almost at a complete standstill because of lack of material, so our Reverend Pastor, Father Matthew, put into the hands of Father Basil, the details of obtaining some equipment. He set to work and in a short time resurrected some football equipment that was used by the first Trojan eleven. As time has progressed, Father Basil, with the help of Father Michael, has obtained much new equipment. He has also successfully installed the Trojans in the M&N league. He is now secretary of the league.

MANAGER

Another unsung hero is the boy who does all the dirty work for the team; cleans up after practice and games, acts as water boy, and does many other odd jobs. This job fell into the capable hands of Freshman Charles Sack, who has done a splendid job the past year. But as Charles will participate in athletics next year, we wish to hand out a little advice to his successor: Always do the required work and be sure to keep the shower water hot during the football season.

SCOREKEEPER

A second Freshman voluntarily stepped into a responsible position this year to relieve Father Basil of his duties as scorekeeper. Emmett Honeyman has kept a very accurate account of all games during the past basketball season and deserves this word of praise.

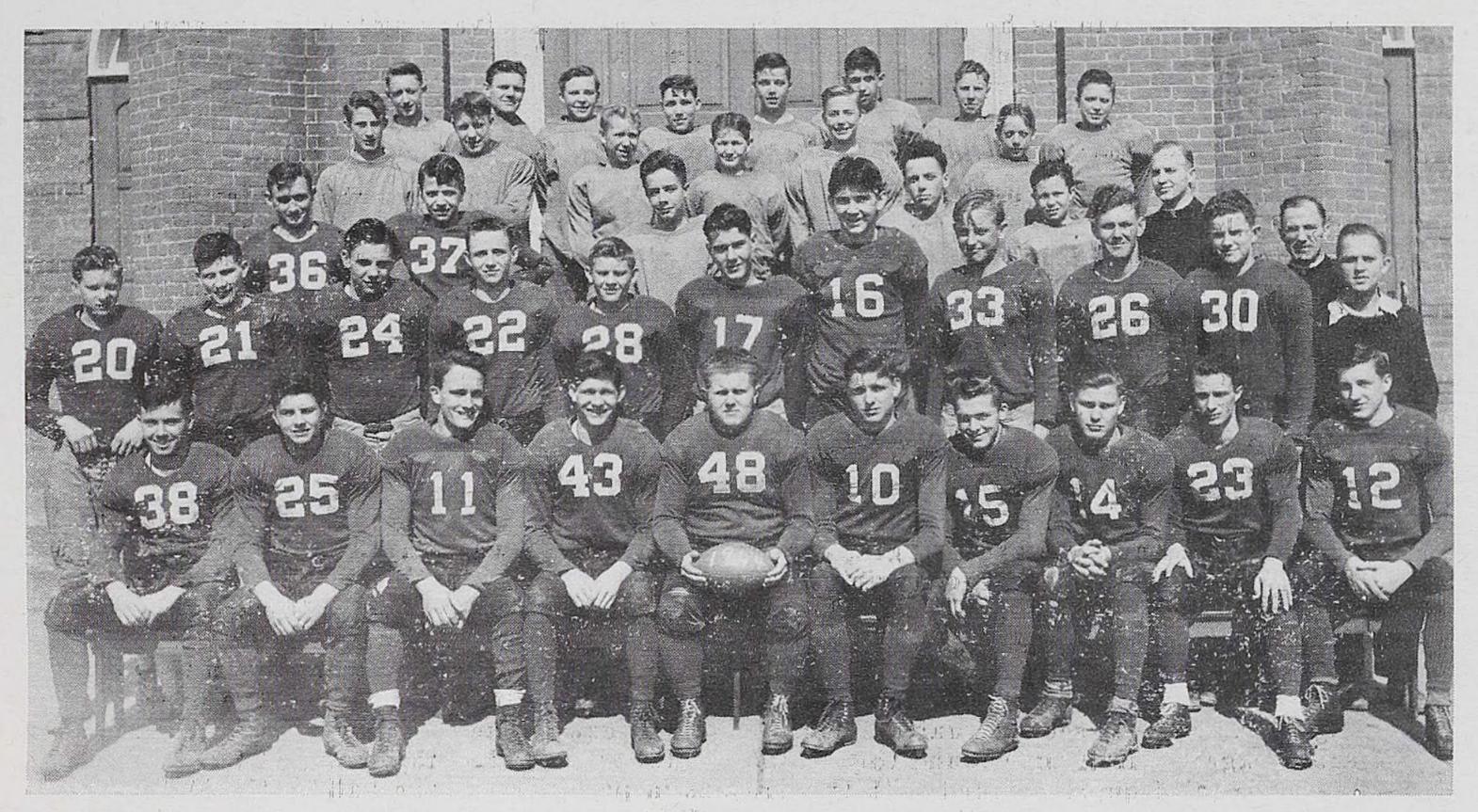


Football









Front row, left to right: Jack Huerter, Wilfred Koehler, James Koehler, Joe Krogman, Donald Luckeroth (Captain), Mark Boeding, Kenneth Koehler, Daniel Becker, Ivan Becker, Bernard Meyers. Second row: Merle McQuaid, Jack Koelzer, Clarence Olberding, Robert Boeding, James O'Toole, Robert Fangman, Gerald Winterscheidt, Raymond Robke, Paul Richard Wempe, Norman Luckeroth, Father Michael Carroll (Coach), Charles Sack (Manager). Third row: Emmett Wichman, Donald Buser, Garry Huerter, Arthur Strathman, Emmett Honeyman, Father Basil Finken (Athletic Director). Fourth row: Elwin Becker, Herbert Huerter, Gerald Woltkamp, Kenneth Skoch, Carrol Usher, Norbert Haverkamp. Back row: Arthur Schmucker, Robert Holthaus, Robert Harpenau, Sam Armstrong, Richard Huerter, Larry Riley, Robert Winkler, Leonard McGinty.

And the state of the months of the state of Gridiron Review . . .

LOSE TO CHAMPIONS

Sept. 22: A fighting Trojan eleven dropped the initial game of the grid season to the defending M&N League Champions, the Blue Rapids Pirates, by a score of 7 to 0. Estes of Tlue Rapids scored the Pirate winning counter midway in the second quarter, when he received the ball on a wide lateral and scooted around the right side of the Trojan line for a 20-yard touchdown run.

TIE YELLOWJACKETS

In a thrilling defensive battle October 6, the Trojans halted two touchdown drives by the Yellowjackets of Waterville, well within the Trojan 20-yard line. Battling back and forth through the entire second half, both teams failed to score. Thus the game ended in a scoreless tie. .Dec 394

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and the first that the second of the second Off to a flying start, the Trojans drove to pay dirt twice in the first and twice again in the last half to give them a wide winning margin over the Centralia Panthers as the final whistle blew.

Wildman Joe Krogman bulldozed 6 yards through the Panther forward wall to chalk up the first Trojan score of the season in the first quarter. Early in the second period left-halfback Pat Becker guided by the perfect blocking of his teammates, sliced off tackle and raced 20 yards without being touched for the Trojans' second counter. Quarter-back Mark Boeding gracefully gathered in a 25-yard aerial from

half-back Krogman as he crossed into the end zone thus advancing the Trojan score to 20 points. In the waning seconds of the game, a Boeding to Boeding combination, tallied the final touchdown for the Trojans. Final score: Trojans 24, Panthers 0.

YIELDED TO SILVERLAKE

Capitalizing on a fumble by the Trojans in the opening minutes, the Golden Eaglets of Silverlake, completed two passes and scored in two short drives. Fighting with revenge the Trojans scrapped their way within 5 yards of the Eaglets' goal only to receive a 15-yard penalty. On the following play, Boeding completed a pass to Becker, for what appeared a Trojan score, but the play was nullified as Becker had caught the ball out of the end zone.

A kicking and passing duel was the main feature of the last half, with both teams threatening to score. They failed and the final score remained Eaglets 6, the Trojans 0.

TROJANS IN NARROW MARGIN

Perhaps the most exciting grid contest of the season was played on the Frank-

fort field, with the lead exchanging hands five times.

Early in the initial period, the Trojans drove within the Wildcats' 10-yard line, from where M. Boeding scored on a quarterback sneak. Flashing around the ends and through the line, the Wildcats drove to the pay dirt and took the lead when they scored their extra point. Boeding again scored on a quarterback sneak in the opening minutes of the second quarter. But before the end of the half, the Wildcats had scored again. Half time found the Trojans on the short end of the score, 14 to 12.

The third quarter ended with the Trojans in possession of the ball on the Wildcat 14-yard line as a result of a recovered Wildcat fumble. Krogman tallied the winning Trojan score in the second play of the fourth quarter, on a reverse. Final score: Trojans 18, Wildcats 14.

LOSE TO MAURITES

Fumbles and injuries and ill health plotted against the Trojans' chance to mar the unbeaten record of Maur Hill, Sunday afternoon, Nov. 12. Completely outrushing and outplaying the Maurites in the First half, the Trojans held a lead of 6 point at half-time intermission. But the strength sapped Trojans were helpless against the powerhouse of Maur Hill in the last half. The Maurites scored once in the third and twice in the fourth quarters. Final score, Maurites 20, Trojans 6.

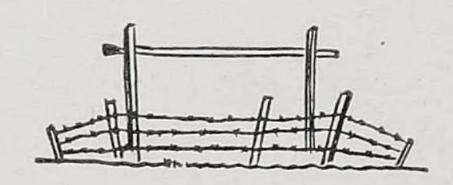
FINIS OF SEASON IN VICTORY

For the first time in football history at S. C. H., the Trojans won the intra-city

grid classic against their friendly foe, the Tigers, November 17.

Up the field marched the ferocious Tigers to score the first touchdown of the game. Under the generalship of sophomore Robert Boeding, who was replacing his injured brother, the Trojans drove to the one foot line. From here Boeding scored the first Trojan counter. Midway in the second quarter, Fullback Kenny Koehler took the ball on a reverse around the right side of the Tiger line and swiveled hipped through several Tigers and then broke into the clear to climax his 70-yard run. Again in the third quarter the Trojans bulldozed the weakening Tiger line by driving to the Tiger ten from where Krogman sliced through left tackle to score the third touchdown for the Trojans. Woltkamp and Weyer bearing the brunt of battle for the weary Tigers, succeeded in scoring a second touchdown midway in the final period.

In the waning minutes of the game, Fullback Kenny Koehler again repeated his remarkable feat, by receiving the ball on a reverse and racing 50 yards for the final Trojan counter. Final score, Trojans 26, Tigers 12.



Auld Lang Syne Again

Again time comes to pay honor to those famous senior gridsters who have completed their history at S. C. H. Their deeds of glory shall long ring in the halls of S. C. H. It is our only sorrow that they will not be with us in the future. Goodbye, and God bless you! May you learn to do other things as well as you play.

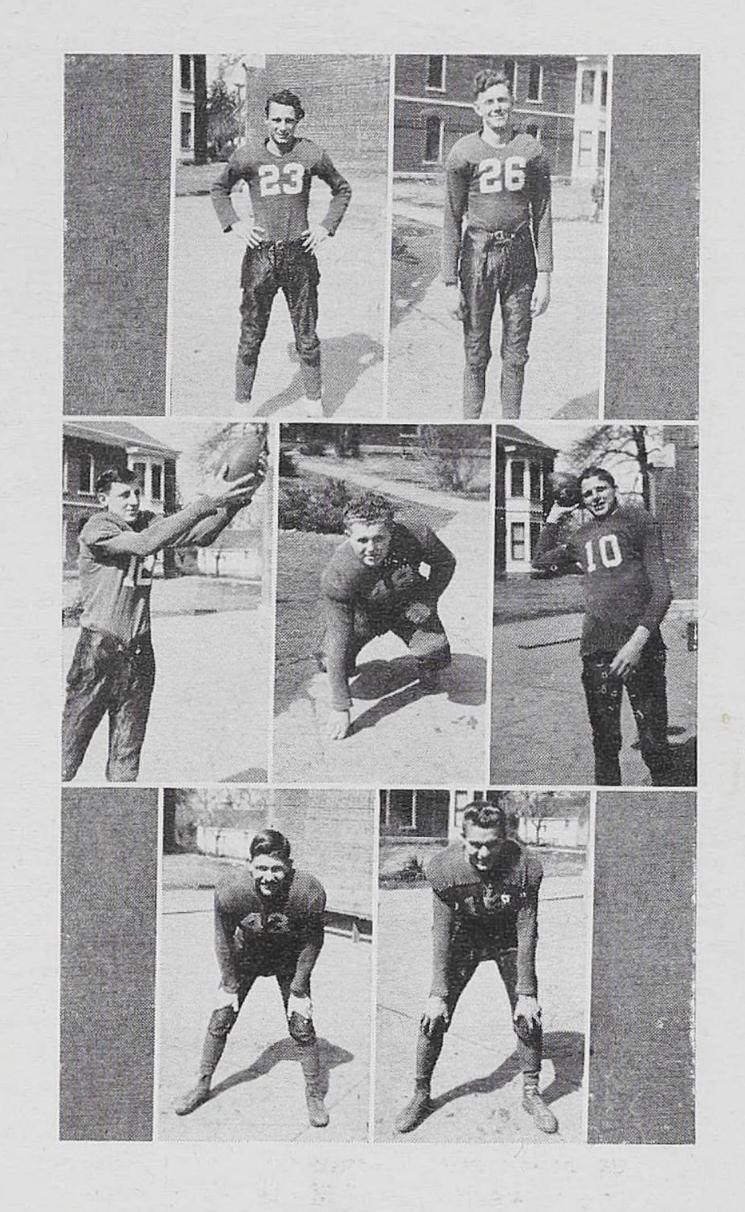
Captain Donald Luckeroth—"Ham," as he is better known to his teammates, was elected to the Captaincy last spring at the Athletic Banquet. Although he was forced to refrain from partaking in the last three games, because of illness, he had shown up to this time his ability as a capable leader. Ham and his 200 pounds filled in the tackle position on the right side of the line, and he was continually harrassing the opponents' backfield. (center)

Mark Boeding—Triple threat man and brains of the Trojan backfield was Mark Boeding, former end on the squad of '44. His passing and kicking ability pulled the Trojans out of many tough spots, especially in the Frankfort game. Two touchdowns were scored by Boeding's aerials. Mark scored 3 touchdowns this season. (right center)

Joe "Wildman" Krogman—Hard driving and speedy Trojan Halfback was nicknamed "Wildman" last season as the result of his ferocious tackling and running ability. Any of the Trojans' opposition in the past two years will vouch that, I am sure. Joe bulldozed him way over for three touchdowns to tie Boeding for scoring honors. Besides being one of the main spokes in the Trojan eleven, Joe is one of the comedians who kept the team going. (lower left)

Kenny "Reindeer" Koehler—Crashing fullback of the Trojan eleven, was the powerful and speedy Kenny "Reindeer" Koehler. Kenny was always the man to pick up those extra yards for a first and ten, yet up to the last game Kenny had not scored. But all his speed uncorked in the last game with the Tigers, when he scored twice; once on a 7-yard sprint, and the next on a 50-yard dash. Kenny's extra speed and spryness will, indeed, be missed next season. Kenny can also be taken as a perfect example of a good training athlete. (lower right)

Paul Richard Wempe—Although a green gridster, "P. A.," as he is known to his teammates, has proved a very capable substitute for Kokenge and in several games was one of the starting eleven. "P. A." was unable to compete in athletics up until this year but has put forth a great effort to gain perfection. It is our belief, that if "P. A." could have participated in athletics before, he would have been one of the outstanding players this year. (top right)



Ivan "Pat" Becker—Speedy and crafty left half back for the Trojans was "Pat" Becker. Off tackle and around end, Pat was dynamite, always flashing through a small hole in the line that seemed impossible for anyone to get through. Pat scored twice this season, once in the Centralia game as he split his way off tackle and streaked twenty yards. (top left)

Bernard "Barnyard" Meyers—On the opposite end was speedy Bernard Meyers. Bernie, former center on the '44 squad, filled in Boeding's position at end this year. Although new at this position, Bernie proved very efficient, especially as a defensive end. It will be remembered in the Silverlake game that Bernie was continually harrassing the Eaglet backfield. (left center)

William "Cob" Kokenge—Left end for the mighty Trojans was neat and agile "Cob." Cob holds the title of being the only Trojan to score on the mighty eleven of Maur Hill. At the Football banquet, Fr. Michael classified "Cob" as the moral booster of the team, always ready with a witty remark, and very seldom serious. Indeed, we will miss the witty remarks of Cob next season.

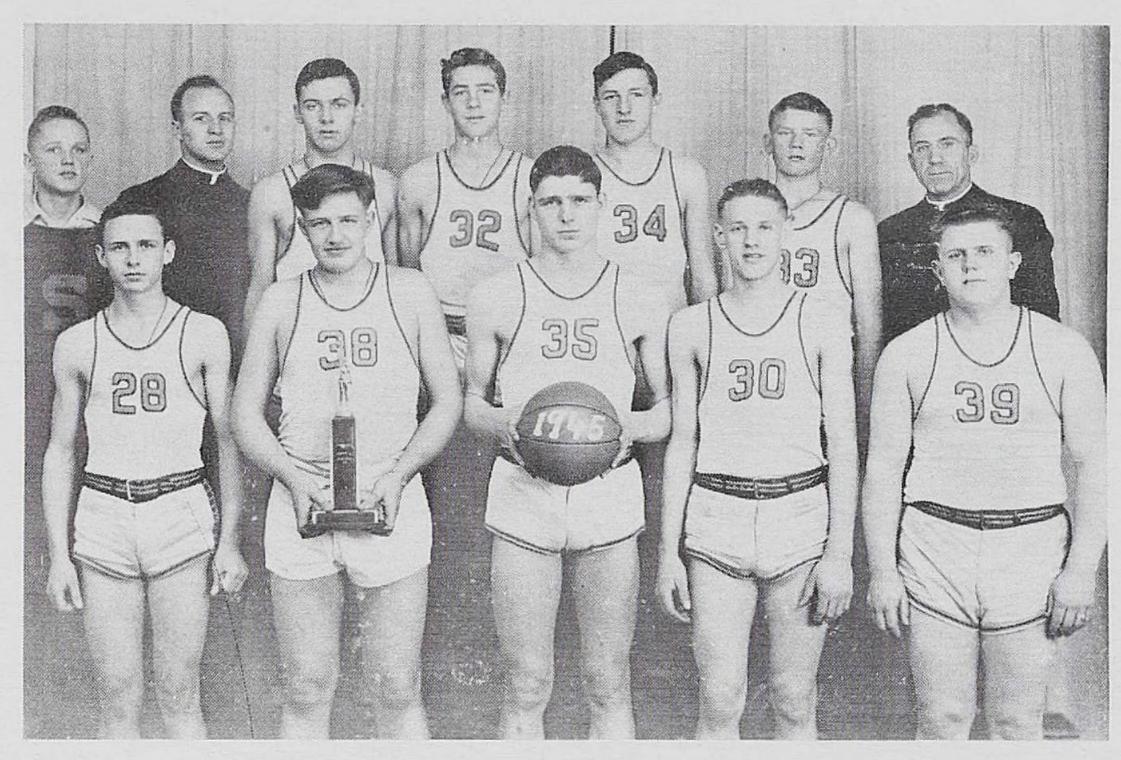
Basketball



Champions

Personal Scoring

Boeding, M3	52
Boeding, R1	70
Buser, J1	29
Luckeroth, D	76
Meyer	42
Altenhofen	33
Kokenge	33
Huerter, J.	15



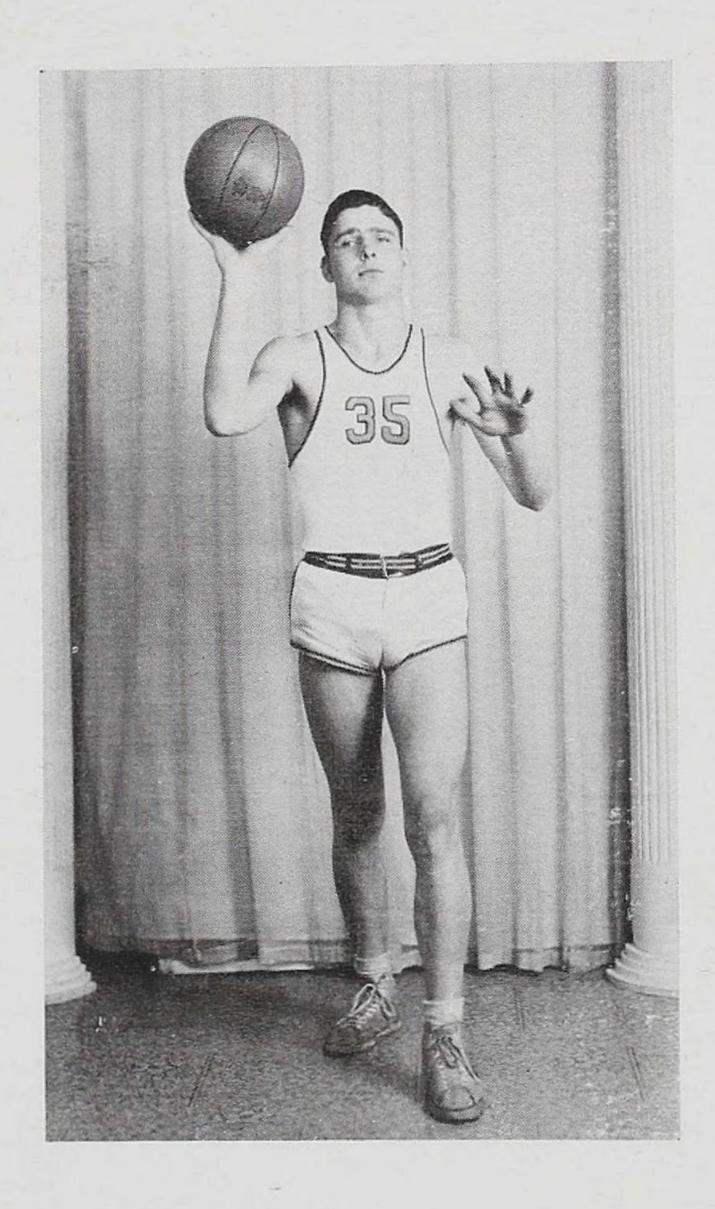
Front row, left to right: Robert Boeding, Jack Buser, Mark Boeding (Captain), Donald Altenhofen, Donald Luckeroth. Back row: Charles Sack (Manager), Father Basil Finken (Athletic Director), Jack Huerter, William Kokenge, Bernard Meyers, James O'Toole, Coach Father Michael Carroll.

Basketball Review . . .

- Pictured above are the triumphant Trojan five, and their capable subs. Finishing the season with a record of 18 wins against 6 losses, and winning the County and District Tournaments and the Co-championship of the M&N League, the Trojans appear to have had a fairly successful season.
- Minus three regulars, the Trojan five opened the season by losing to the Atchison Kittens. In the return game they played on the Seneca court January 31, the Trojans revenged their opening defeat by handing the Kittens a 36 to 20 beating.
- An overtime period resulting from a technical foul on the crowd, caused the Trojans their major defeat of the season. For in the three-minute overtime the Trojans were unable to outscore the Blue Rapids team. The Trojans' trip to Blue Rapids later in the season also proved fatal, for the Pirates held a four point advantage as the game ended.
- The Wildcats of Frankfort bowed twice to the Trojan quintet this season. Sophomore Robert Boeding paced the scoring attack of the Trojans in the first game, while Captain Mark Boeding scored 20 points in the return game.
- Winning over the Tigers by a large margin, after previously easing out a three-point victory January 16, the Trojans copped the City championship again this year. Both games were played under the principles of good sportsmanship. For this the teams are to be commended greatly.
- Easing cut a one-point victory over the Panthers of Centralia, the Trojans broke a 3-year jinx. But in the return game, Trojan hope of a second victory was smashed as a Panther Guard split the net with two charity tosses to tie the game. In the

waning second of the overtime, the same player dropped the winning goal through the loop.

- Feb. 22, the Trojans played the Waterville Yellowjackets for the first time and beat them by a score of 26 to 21. Making a second trip to Waterville, the Trojans won over the Yellowjackets. This made them Co-Champions with Blue Rapids in the M&N League.
- A triumphant Trojan five commanded the floor on the evening of January 12, as they proceeded to win over the Maurites of Atchison to the tune of 38 to 18. A third overtime period of the season proved fatal to the Trojans as the Maurites eased out a 6-point win in the second game of the season. The game contained many fine points and a little rough-house on the side.
- Feb. 23, the Trojans won over the Corning quintet 33 to 20.



COUNTY CHAMPIONS

Opening the County Tournament by winning over the flashy Cagesters of Wetmore, the Trojans downed the Goff Roosters the following night by a score of 42 to 29. Meeting their frequent opponents, the Panthers of Centralia, the Trojans bounced out a 50 to 28 win and came home calling themselves County Champions.

DISTRICT CHAMPIONS

The Fighting Irish of Summerfield offered little opposition to the hoophappy Trojans who scored a total of 63 points to Summerfield's 20. Drawing a bye the second night, the Trojans came up against the Axtell Eaglets on the following night. The Eaglets maintained a 3-point lead at half time intermission. Propelled by Captain Boeding's scoring 30 points, the sinking Trojans managed to regain their lead and as the gun went off, the score stood: Trojans 50, Axtell 32. Easing out a narrow margin of 2 points over the Tigers in the finals, the Trojans won the District Championship.

REGIONAL TOURNEY

Great things were envisioned by the happy throng of spectators at Holton, as they prepared to see the Powhattan Red Devils clash with the Trojans. But these visions were cast aside as the flashy Red Devils scored at random, to win over the Trojans by a score of 40 to 20.

So Be It.

CAPTAIN MARK BOEDING

Mark Boeding, capable leader and high scorer for the Trojan five, has completed his second year of varsity basketball. He scored a total of 352 points during the past season. This is believed to be a new record in personal scoring at S. C. H.

Being one of the main cogs on the team of '44, Mark was elected to the captaincy last spring at the Athletic Banquet. He has proved his leader-ship ability throughout the year, in the many trying games when the Trojans faced defeat. They were often spurred on by his scoring ability to win in the final minutes.

At the basketball banquet, Father Michael remarked, "When Mark was hitting, the team was hitting; but when Mark was off, the team was off."

County Champions



Front row, left to right: Charles Sack (Manager), Gerald Woltkamp, Donald Buser, (Captain), Larry Riley, Leonard McGinty, Coach Michael Carroll. Back row: Arthur Strathman, Robert Fangman, Gerald Winterscheidt, Paul Richard Wempe, Norman Luckeroth, Father Basil Finken (Athletic Director).

Personal Scoring

Winterscheidt	156
Luckeroth, N	57
McGinty	50
Buser, D	46
O'Toole	38
Riley	33
Strathman	14
Fangman	8
Koelzer	5
Woltkamp	5

Past Record of Second Team

Trojans	17	Bern	7
Trojans	19	Blue Rapids	_21
Trojans	36	Frankfort	_41
Trojans	17	Baileyville	. 19
Trojans	17	Tigers	9
Trojans	30	Centralia	
Trojans	18	Blue Rapids	_15
Trojans	26	Frankfort	_25
Trejans	26	Baileyville	_16
Trojans	24	Waterville	_14
Trojans	20	Centralia	_26
Trojans	19	Tigers	_17
Trojans	23	Bern	_15
Trojans	24	Waterville	_19
	County Tou	irnament	
Trojans	36	Tigers	_20
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Second Team Review

Winning 12 out of 16 games and winning the county B championship the Trojans B squad looks as if they may be the A champions in a few years to come.

Starting out their season Dec. 19 against the Bern quintet, they managed a 17 to 7 victory. In the return game played on the Bern court, the Trojans romped to victory to the tune of 23 to 15.

Losing the first contest with Blue Rapids by a score of 21 to 19, the Trojans eased out a 3-point victory in a return game at Blue Rapids.

The highly polished Wildcat cagesters of Frankfort proved themselves superior to the Trojans as they flipped out a win of 41 to 36. In the return game with Frankfort, Winterscheidt of the Trojans, dropped through the hoop the decisive points of victory as he split the net with a last minute charity toss, to give the Trojans a victory of 26 to 25.

Playing the Baileyville Bombers first team as a preliminary to the Trojan-Maur Hill game, the Trojans bowed in defeat by a slight margin of two points. A well seasoned Trojan quintet met and defeated the Bombers in the curtain raiser of the Trojan vs. Kittens game, by a score of 26 to 16.

* A wide margin of 15 points was held by the Trojans as the whistle blew, ending the game with the Centralia Panthers. A little too cocky, the Trojans entered their return game with the Panthers and the final score stood in favor of the Panthers: Trojans 20, Centralia 26.

Outscoring and outplaying the Tigers all the way the Trojans managed a 17 to 9 victory over their intra-city foes. However, the Trojans met a more seasoned Tiger quintet Feb. 9. But managed to squeeze out a two-point victory in a period after the over-time when Larry Riley arched the ball high in the air to split the meshes for the win.

Well distributed were the scoring honors that brought about the Trojans 24 to 14 victory over the Yellowjackets of Waterville. Again the Trojans, led by the scoring of Heavy Winterscheidt, romped over the Yellowjackets to the tune of 24 to 19.

For the third time of the season the Trojans met and defeated the Tigers in the opening game of the County Tournamnt by a score of 36 to 20. In the finals, the Trojans defeated their foes, the Panthers of Centralia, in a battling game by a score of 22 to 17. Thus they gained the honor of County Champions.

Activities

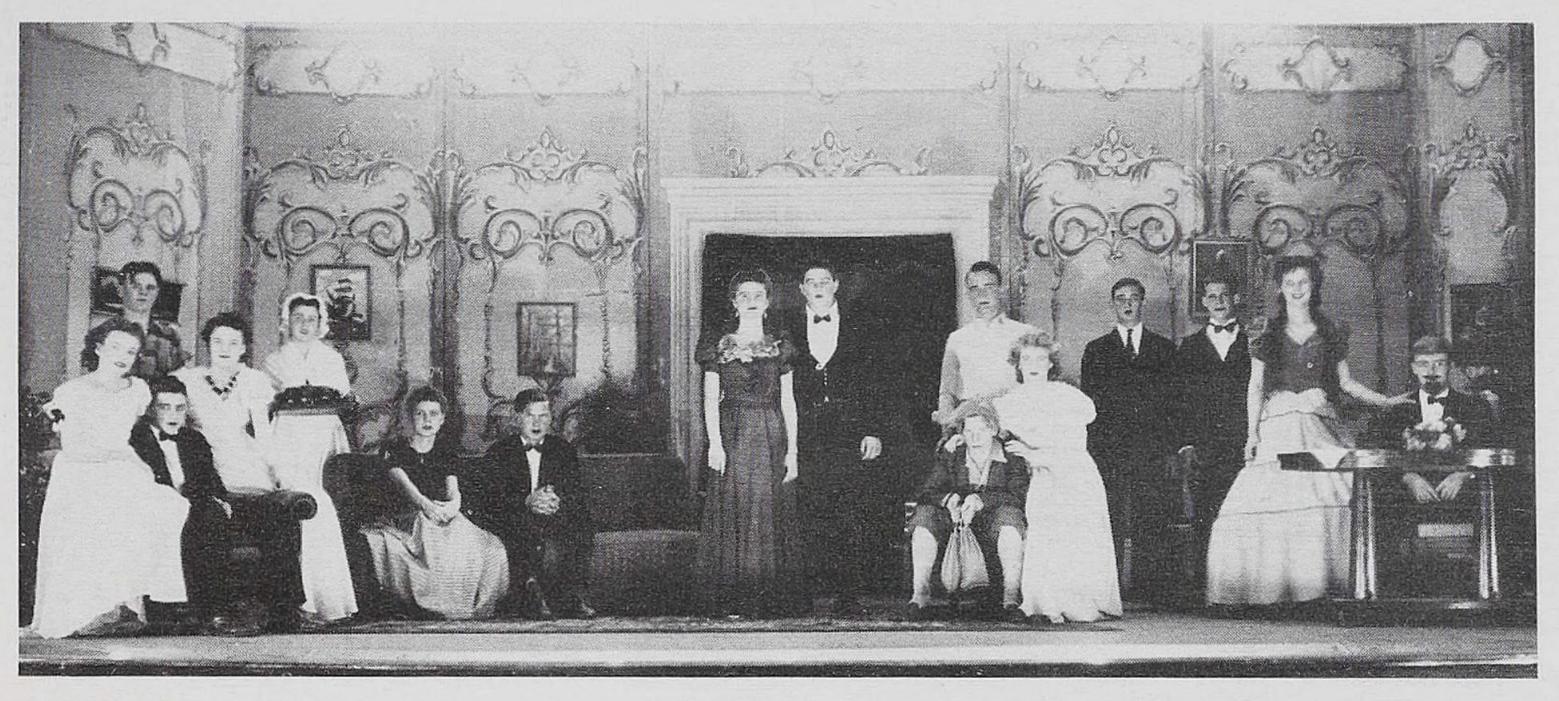
Senior Play . . .



THE MAD MARCH HEIRS, a smart and timely comedy was presented by the seniors April 23. Left to right the cast are: Leona Heideman, William Kokenge, Donald Luckeroth (sitting), Iva Mae McQuaid, Grace Block, Donald Altenhofen, Thelma Meyer, Mark Boeding, Dolores Luebbe, Bernard Meyer, Joe Krogman, Mary Ann Boeding, Helen Ronnebaum. Standing in rear left: John Roeder, Geraldine Enneking and Charles Gress.



Senior Singers present Musical Skit recalling memories. Left to right: Anna Marie Strathman, Helen Ronnebaum, John Roeder, Patricia Bennett, Victor Kramer, Kenneth Koehler, Bernard Meyer, Charles Gress, Marguerite Usher, Leona Ronnebaum, Omer Gress; sitting, Paul Richard Wempe, Alice Lackey, Margaret Haug.



Junior Play . . .

SILAS MARNER, the successful Junior play, presented March 18, 1945, is cast above. Seated left to right: Kitty Jean Strathman, who played Jane Gunn; Jack Koelzer as Master Bryce, and Rose Marie Becker as Mary Gunn. Standing just back of them are Robert Holthaus, who played the

part of Jem, and Geraldine Koelzer, who was Dolly Winthrop. Aunt Martha Kimble and her husband, Dr. Kimble, portrayed by Alvina Liening and Daniel Becker, are seated on the lounge. Standing in the center are Phyllis Fangman as the sweet and tender Nancy Lammeter, and Wilfred Koehler as Godfrey Cass. Seated next are Merle McQuaid, who wonderfully portrayed Silas Marner, and Darlene Schmucker as the Golden Haired Eppie. Standing just behind them are James Koehler as Aaron Winthrop, and Emmett Wichman as Dunstan Cass. Maurice Niehaus was Squire Cass, and Elsie Kokenge, Priscilla Lammeter. Seated is Jack Huerter as Mr. Lammeter.



ASSEMBLY SKIT—Margaret Krogman as Romeo, and Elsie Kokenge as Juliet.



JUNIOR GLEE CLUB sang Irish songs at St. Patrick's program.



Freshman Play . . .

The entire Freshman class took part in an evening of entertainment, February 11. Those who were not in the play sang in the cabaret scene and between acts.



VOCAL STUDENT Kitty Jean Strathman, costumed to sing Indian love songs between acts. Dotty Wempe at the piano.



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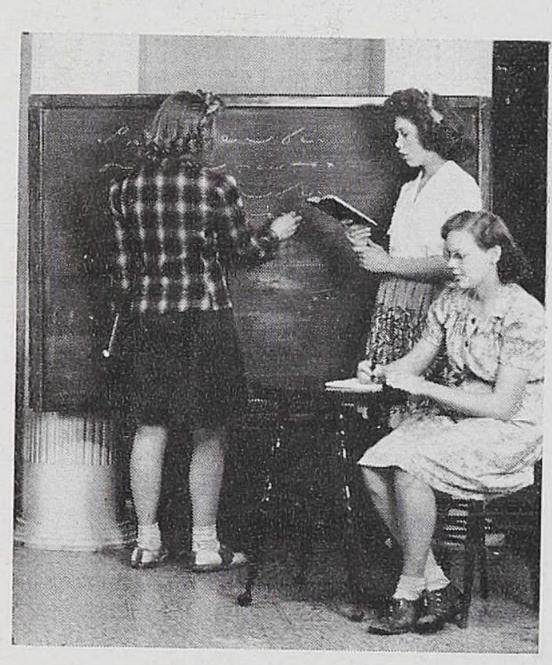


Rose Marie Becker Ivan Becker Felicia Becker Daniel Becker Lucille Becker Elwin Becker

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Bob Bennett
Bob Holthaus
Bob Harpenau
Bob Winkler
Bob Fangman
Bob Enneking
Bob Boeding



SECOND YEAR SHORTHAND Leona Ronnebaum, Thelma Meyer and Anna Marie Strathman.

Pep Squad



The members of the pep squad this year are: The three cheer leaders, Darlene Schmucker, Delores Luebbe and Ive Mae McQuaid.

First row left to right: Geraldine Enneking, Thelma Myers, Leona Heideman, Mary Ann Boeding, Patricia Bennett, Grace Block, Margaret Haug, Marguerite Usher.

Second row: Velora McGreevy, Jerrie Koelzer, Jane Ann Kramer, Rose Marie Becker, Alice Lackey, Mildred Heiman and Maurine Conley.

Third row: Rita Widman, Margie Heideman, Anna Mae Quinlan, Lucille Becker, Roberta Lueb, Alvina Liening, Phyllis Fangman, Edna Hammes, Agatha Haefele and Jane Koelzer.

Fourth row: Virginia Stuke, Theresa Cunningham, Rose Cunningham, Jacquelyn Schaffer, Marie Ronnebaum, Mildred Sack, Alice Ronnebaum, Betty Kramer, Anita Altenhofen, Geraldine Huerter, Vivian Lueb, Elda Rose Wilhelm, Margaret Sack and Dolores Lehmkuhl.

Fifth row: Alice Mae Mueting, Irene Myers, Elaine Kongs, Anna Mae Kramer, Dorothy Heideman, Bobby Mae Haug, Eileen Olberding, Barbara Lorson, Dorothy Gress, Anna Marie Tangeman and Donna Otting.

RALLIES

The pep squad is very grateful to Sister Suzanne and all the others who made it possible to have rallies before the games. We know they helped the boys win.

UNIFORMS

The bright, catchy uniforms of the SCH Pep Squad consisted of yellow short-sleeved blouses and blue skirts with three box pleats in front and three in back and suspenders over the shoulders. The girls received many compliments on them and we liked them ourselves.

TRIPS

Beaming with happiness and excitement, the pep squad were seen at all home games and nearly all the out-of-town games. Whenever it was possible at all, they were heard giving the yells and songs of their team. Even the far places, such as Atchison, Holton, and Blue Rapids, felt the vibration of their lungs.



The Sophomore Basketball team are, left to right, front row: Theresa Cunningham, Agatha Haefele, Betty Kramer, Vivian Lueb and Jane Koelzer.

Back row: Jacquelyn Schafer, Lucille Becker, Jerrie Huerter, Mildred Sack, Anita Altenhofen, Rose Cunningham, Mary Margaret Springer and Father Michael Carroll, OSB., coach.

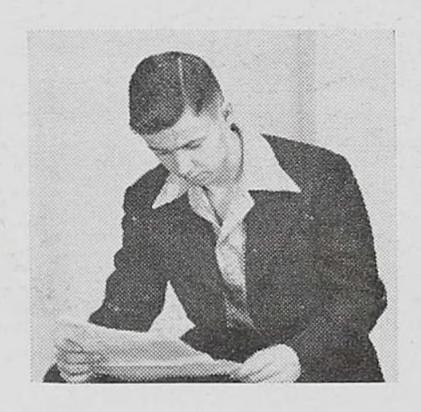
The Optimist Staff





Above is seen the editorial staff of the Optimist centered around the editor, Heideman Leona (seated). Leona started off with a bang the first issue and has edited the other issues with the same amount of interest. Standing at the left is Darlene Schmucker, who has taken care of features and humor. Phyllis Fangman, near the editor's right, helped out wherever she was needed. Grace Block stands looking at a paper with Delores Luebbe. They have both written for the editorial and news pages, and Grace has used her imagination in creating several make-believe characters. Delores has also taken care of the ads. Leona Ronnebaum has taken care of the sodality items and also worked on news items.

In the second group we find Mary Ann Boeding (seated, left), and her business staff who have taken care of the business part of the Optimist this year. Busy typing is Margaret Haug who has proved herself a faithful typist throughout the year. She also took care of the exchange column. Next is Helen Ronnebaum, circulation manager. Besides taking care of the mailing list, Helen has had charge of the school distribution. Reading an issue of the Optimist is Geraldine Enneking who helped in the circulation department. Next is Ivan Becker, who assisted in delivering the local papers. Ivan also wrote humor and selected interesting articles from other papers. Lining up work for the next issue is Marguerite Usher. Marguerite really belongs on the editorial staff, for she has ably fulfilled the position of news editor this year.



Jack Huerter, Sports editor of the Optimist and of the Yearbook, started work on the first Optimist of this year and has continued faithfully until the end. With Jack, this work is a side issue. He is not a member of the regular journalism class. His interest in this line is shown by his helpful suggestions to other departments on the staff and his planning the entire sport sections.





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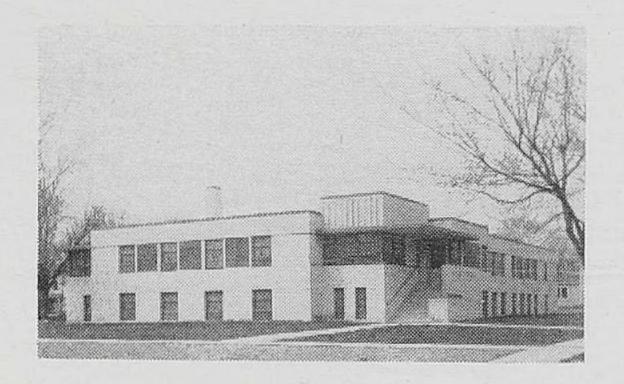
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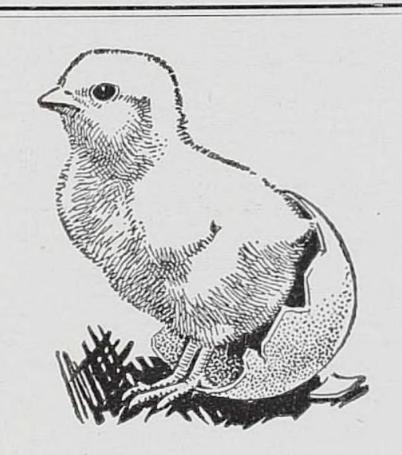
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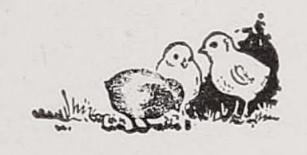
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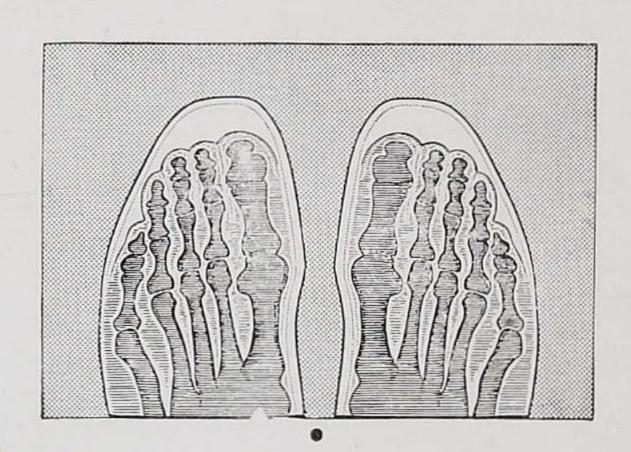


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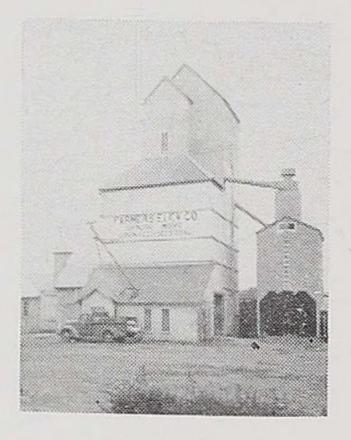
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